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# Study: Too much unused space

## Guilderland District, board members mum on scenarios; school closure advised

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An outside consultant revealed the blunt truth about Guilderland Central School District: There is too much space not being used.

Every option Paul Seversky, a consultant with the planning service at Madison-Oneida BOCES, offered to more effectively use existing building

capacity across Guilderland schools involved closing an elementary school. Four out of the five scenarios would shutter Altamont Elementary School, with the other closing Lynnwood Elementary School. The potential savings for scenarios ranged from \$1.16 million to \$1.99 million.

The school district hosted a community meeting Monday, June 16, for Seversky to discuss findings from his building capacity study and some scenarios the district could pursue to reduce expenses. Around 75 people

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On Monday, June 16, Paul Seversky outlines a building study he had done for the Guilderland Central School District.

John Purcell/Spotlight

# Kenwood will get a new surface

## Infusion of state money to fix one of Bethlehem's pothole-plagued roadways

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Bethlehem's pothole problems along one particularly bumpy stretch will soon be fixed following an influx of cash from the state.

Gov. Andrew Cuomo recently announced \$36 million in additional funds for resurfacing projects throughout New York. The only project to receive money within the Capital District was to resurface a portion of Kenwood Avenue.

"Anecdotal, I can say we got a lot of calls this winter on the condition of Kenwood Avenue," said state Department of Transportation Spokesman Bryan Viggiani. "It's no secret that the road needs work, and we're well aware of its condition."

Bethlehem Supervisor John Clarkson said the town was not shy about reaching out to the DOT in regards to the pothole problems this winter. Town officials were getting multiple calls and e-mails each day about the situation, but there was little the town could do

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## Trail tails

Walkers came out to enjoy the Heldeberg-Hudson Rail Trail in Bethlehem and Voorheesville Sunday, June 22, for the annual solstice celebration.

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# Easements could offer tax relief

## Legislation that helps preserve open space awaits governor's signature

By MARCY VELTE  
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The Town of Bethlehem is a step closer to providing tax exemptions on open space after the state legislature passed a measure to allow conservation easements for landowners.

The legislation, which was

introduced by Sen. Neil Breslin and Assemblywoman Patricia Fahy in May, passed both houses before the end of session last week. Bethlehem Supervisor John Clarkson said the town is now waiting on Gov. Andrew Cuomo to sign the bill.

"The governor has until the end of the year, but we would obviously like him to sign it earlier then that so we can continue to move forward," said Clarkson. "We plan on writing

the governor and others in his administration in hopes he signs it soon, and I would expect success."

When the legislation was introduced, Breslin said there were numerous benefits to preserving open space, but communities often don't have the funds to do so. Fahy said the program would help the town promote open space preservation in "a fair manner,"

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# Nugget of hope for chicken enthusiasts

**Guiderland ZBA's prior rulings could create pathway for fowl pets**

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Chickens could become a less public proposal in Guiderland if zoning board members determine past rulings set a precedent, despite prior claims against such ever being set.

The Guiderland Zoning Board of Appeals did not have to wait long for another request for interpretation to keep laying hens to come before it again. Two separate homeowners were at the ZBA meeting Wednesday, June 18, but next week board members will determine

whether anyone living on a residential zoned property even have to ask permission. All it might take is a simple building permit for the chicken coop.

Laura and Dan Spanbauer, of 3016 Morgan Court, were requesting to keep up to six chickens in their property. Lisa Alonzi, of 3093 New Williamsburg Drive, was looking to up to 12 chickens. Both live within a single-family zone.

Laura Spanbauer said she was aware of the controversy surrounding the keeping of chickens in the town.

"I was getting fresh eggs from a friend for a while, and then I decided to kind of start this endeavor. And when I Googled it, I saw that there was a lot

going on in Guiderland about it," Spanbauer said.

The board most recently denied Dale Owen's request to keep chickens at his Mohawk Drive home, but approved two prior requests.

A difference between Owen's request and the two previously approved was in earlier cases, the chickens were already on the property. Many of Owen's neighbors spoke out against him keeping chickens, which was also different from the other two requests.

Zoning board member Thomas Remmert, who acted as chairman for Owen's application, had repeatedly stressed past and current decisions did not set a precedent.

Z B A C h a i r m a n



Guiderland Zoning Board of Appeals Chairman Peter Barber, right, listens to Janet Thayer, attorney for the ZBA, explain how the board's prior decisions on keeping chickens likely set a precedent.

John Purcell/Spotlight

Peter Barber revealed Wednesday past decisions might have done exactly that — establishing a baseline for what is allowable, at least until the Town Board weighs in on it.

"It would seem to me that you're interrupting the code, we said what it means," Barber said. "People may not like it. They can go to the Town Board at some point and try to reverse it, but in the interim if you do what the interpretation says you only need a building permit ... for the coop."

Janet Thayer, attorney for the ZBA, said state law allows the board to interpret the code, acting in "quasi-judicial function," and the state Court of Appeals determined any ZBA should act "according

to its own precedent."

"Without some showing of substantial difference in fact on why we would render a decision in the opposite, the court has said the Zoning Board of Appeals would have to abide by its own prior interpretation," Thayer said. "Otherwise, a decision could be considered by a court of law to be arbitrary and capricious."

Thayer said this means keeping up to six chickens, along with established requirements, would become an administrative decision, which doesn't need to come before the board.

If Town Building Inspector Jackie Siudy determined a permit application to be "substantially different," then the board would

decide on it. For instance, Barber said someone looking to keep a dozen chickens would require a new interpretation.

Alonzi opted to change her request from 12 to six chickens to adhere to the past interpretation.

The board would rule if a precedent was set at its Wednesday, July 2, meeting. If it determines there is a precedent, Owen would be able to keep six chickens.

"The net result here is it only requires a building permit," Barber said.

The Zoning Review Committee recently submitted recommended revisions to the town code, which would allow the keeping of chickens through a permit as long as requirements are met.

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# BC takes another look at lunch service

**Board says no to price hike; new director to take over program in August**

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A proposal to increase prices for elementary and middle school lunches was rejected by members of the Bethlehem Central Board of Education.

The proposal was made on Wednesday, June 18, by chief business and financial officer Judith Kehoe. As sales of lunches continue to decrease, the plan called for increasing middle school and elementary lunches by 25 cents and milk by 10 cents.

"We were originally figuring on a loss of \$75,000 for the year, but we did a lot better than initially expected," said Kehoe.

Figuring in the need to purchase some new kitchen equipment, the district's food services program is expected to lose \$63,000 this year. Although that numbers seem bad, Kehoe said it is a sharp improvement from the more than \$100,000 loss from last year.

The money was made up mostly by changes made to the cafeteria at the high school.

The Bethlehem Central School District made the decision to opt out of the National School Lunch Program at the high school level after district administrators presented information showing a "steep decline" in the number of lunches purchased last school year. The new federal guidelines were said to be limiting the items that could be served and the portions sizes of food for the older students.

The amount of money the program made was increased by ramping up efforts at the high school snack bar, coffee shop and a la carte menus. The food services staff also began an after-school cafe where students could purchase paninis and other hot food items.

However, lunches sold at the middle and elementary schools continued to decrease, with many parents opting to pack their child's lunch. Kehoe thought increasing the price might help offset the costs, but some board members felt the real problems began not with the federal regulations, but when the board increased lunch prices by \$1 in 2010.

"It was a fairly dramatic reduction," Kehoe agreed.

Some Board members wondered why the proposal was to increase prices of the normal lunches and milk rather

than the other items served.

"Why are we charging more for the healthy lunch that kids are relying on, over the bag of Doritos," asked Board of Education member Joanne Cunningham. "If we're looking to increase prices, at a minimum, I don't think we should be increasing prices on things we are trying to encourage kids to eat."

The other members of the board agreed.

"My question would be if we had more volume in the number of meals sold, would that be able to subsidize the loss," said Board Member Diane Giaccone Stever, suggesting the meals prices be lowered.

Kehoe also announced that a new food services director had been found following the departure of former director Paul Franchini in April. Allissa Eiser, who currently works at a school district in Washington, will take over the role in August.

Superintendent Tom Douglas said Eiser did two interviews via webcam before flying out to Bethlehem. Once here, she did another interview and then did an "Iron Chef-type" challenge where she was asked to create a meal using ingredients in the high school cafeteria and following specific guidelines.

"Having Allissa Eiser cook for us as part of

***"Her (Allissa Eiser's) ability to create meals that are appealing to students while maintaining a nutritious and balanced menu is a quality in a food services director that we look for."***

— Superintendent Tom Douglas

the final interview process was a way to test her creativity and resourcefulness, while also assessing how she interacted with our staff," said Douglas in a later interview. "Her ability to create meals that are appealing to students while maintaining a nutritious and balanced

menu is a quality in a food services director that we look for."

Eiser created a chicken dish using honey and various spices. She was told only Douglas and Kehoe would be testing the food, but then was surprised when six high school students were also selected to

participate.

"Everyone liked what she created. Not only was it nutritious, but it also tasted good," said Douglas.

Eiser will be revamping the menus, mostly at the middle school and elementary levels. She will also do visits to classrooms to give presentations on healthy eating and plans to work more with students on educating them about their diets.

Board of Education members were pleased with the changes, as many were not impressed with their visits to school cafeterias earlier in the year. Caitrin Navarro

said she and the students she spoke with feel the menus are boring. Cunningham said she thought the food looks like the same food she was served as a kid.

"In fact, it looked like the same old, dried-up fruit cup," said Cunningham.

The proposal to possibly increase lunch prices will be reevaluated a few months after the new food services director is in place. The board also voted to transfer about \$60,000 from the general fund to the food services budget so there would not be a deficit for the coming year.



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Small plane crash in Guilderland found a week later

A week passed before anyone noticed a small plane had crashed in the backyard of a home in Guilderland, but the pilot reportedly walked away uninjured.

Guilderland police responded to a reported plane crash around 11:50 a.m. on Saturday, June 21, at 167 Gray Road. Police determined the small plane had crashed at approximately 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 14, but was not reported.

Fred Jackson, 75, of Schenectady, allegedly was flying the plane from Hamilton to a landing strip at 125 Gray Road, but when he attempted to land the plane experienced some sort of engine or mechanical failure, according to police. Jackson passed the runway and crashed the plane into a row of trees.

Police said Jackson was not injured in the crash and apparently left the plane. He did not report the incident to the Federal Aviation Administration or any police department. There were no passengers in the plane.

The FAA is conducting an investigation into the incident, and there were no charges against Jackson as of June 21.

Man sentenced for burglarizing N.S. home

A Middle Grove man was sentenced for illegally entering a New Scotland home last summer.



Sean Desciscio

Desciscio, 30, to two-and-a-third to seven years in state prison on Tuesday, June 17, according to county District Attorney David Soares. Desciscio pleaded guilty to burglary in the third degree, a felony, on the same day.

Desciscio burglarized a Manson Lane home in the Town of New Scotland on Aug. 9, 2013, and stole jewelry from the homeowner, according to police. When he was arrested, he reportedly confessed to stealing the jewelry.

Assistant District Attorney Steven Sharp, of the Legal Affairs Unit, prosecuted this case.

Police: Bronx man had more than one pound of marijuana

State Police stopped a driver for speeding on the Northway and discovered him to have more than a pound of marijuana in his vehicle.

Abraham Rios, 40, of Bronx, was allegedly speeding on I-87 in the Town of Guilderland on Saturday, June 7, and driving with a suspended license, according to police. The only passenger was a 25-year-old woman with a learner's permit, police said.



Abraham Rios

Before Rios' vehicle was towed, police allegedly found more than a pound of marijuana in his vehicle.

Police arrested both the pair, but the woman was released without being charged.

Rios was charged with criminal possession of marijuana in the second degree, a felony, and aggravated unlicensed

operation of a motor vehicle in the third degree.

Rios was arraigned in Guilderland Town Court and remanded to the Albany County jail on \$10,000 bail. He was scheduled to appear in court on Thursday, June 12.

Altamont man charged with DWI twice within hours

An Altamont man was arrested for DWI twice in less than five hours, according to police.

Guilderland police stopped David B. Kornfield for speeding on Western Avenue Saturday, June 21, around 11:30 p.m., and determined he was intoxicated. A chemical breath test later revealed he allegedly had a BAC of 0.13 percent.

Police charged Kornfield, of Altamont, with DWI and speeding. A female passenger in his car was also charged with criminal possession of a controlled substance in the seventh degree.

Guilderland police stopped Kornfield again on Western Avenue around 4:10 a.m. on Sunday, June 22, and was determined to allegedly be intoxicated. He allegedly refused a chemical breath test.

Police after the second stop charged Kornfield with DWI, consumption of alcohol in a motor vehicle, failure to obey a traffic control device and speeding.

Kornfield was arraigned in Guilderland Town Court

and remanded to Albany County jail on \$2,000 bail. He is scheduled to appear in Town Court on Thursday, June 26.

Other arrests

Albany County Sheriff's arrested Erika Alberry, 28, of 18 Smith Lane in Voorheesville and charged her with aggravated DWI on Monday, June 16, at around 7 p.m. Police said the vehicle was parked on Appleblossom Lane in Voorheesville, and the driver appeared to be bent over the steering wheel. Police said Alberry appeared confused with bloodshot eyes and appeared off balance. The officer also allegedly smelled alcohol. Officers said Alberry failed field sobriety tests and provided a breath test on the scene. Alberry was brought back to the station where a blood test was performed and found to have a BAC of .23 percent. She was arraigned and released.

Albany County Sheriff's arrested April Gordon, 24, of 302 Quail St. in Albany and charged her with DWAI and operating a motor vehicle impaired by drugs on Friday, June 13, at around 12:20 a.m. Police said Gordon was allegedly viewed driving eastbound on Maple Road in New Scotland and failed to dim her high beams. While interviewing the occupants of the car, the officer allegedly viewed a half burnt marijuana cigar. Police said Gordon appeared to have glassy eyes, and her speech was

drawn out. While searching the car, police also allegedly found a small glassine bag of marijuana. Police said Gordon failed field sobriety tests and also appeared to have the tremors. She was taken into custody where her chemical breath test turned up negative, but blood was drawn for evidence. She was released and will appear in court at a later date.

State Police in Ulster County stopped Eric Joseph App, 41, of 850 Elting Road in Rosendale, for a vehicle and traffic violation and found him to have an active warrant out of Albany County Court for a probation violation stemming from Guilderland police arresting him for grand larceny in 1998. App was picked up on Friday, June 6, and transported to Albany County jail to be arraigned in county court on Monday, June 9.

State Police arrested Jason J. Cosmo, 38, of Guilderland, on Friday, June 20, and charged him with aggravated DWI. Police stopped Cosmo on Western Avenue in Guilderland following a domestic dispute investigation. Police observed Cosmo to allegedly have an odor of alcohol on his breath, slurred speech and bloodshot, watery eyes. He allegedly failed standardizes field sobriety tests. A chemical breath test allegedly revealed he had a BAC of 0.20 percent. He was released on tickets and is scheduled to appear in Guilderland Town Court on Thursday, July 3.

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• Guilderland police arrested Megan N. Connor, 29, of 144 Jones Road in Round Top, around 4 a.m. on Sunday, June 8, and charged her with DWI, illegal signal, failure to obey a traffic device, failure to stay in a single lane, failure to keep to the right and equipment violations. Police observed her allegedly committing several traffic infractions while driving on Western Avenue and stopped her. Police observed her allegedly to have an odor of alcohol on her breath, impaired motor coordination and glassy eyes. She allegedly failed standard field sobriety tests. She refused a chemical breath test.

• Guilderland police arrested Joseph P. Ullman, 31, of Altamont, around 12:45 a.m. on Sunday, May 25, and charged him with DWI, refusal to take a breath test and speeding. Police allegedly observed Ullman driving 10 mph over the speed limit on Western Avenue and stopped him. Police said he would only roll down the driver's window about 1-and-a-half inches when an officer approached his vehicle. Police observed him to allegedly have an odor of alcohol. He refused to submit to a chemical breath test.

• Guilderland police arrested Emily C. Burr, 26, of 933 Main St. in Clifton Park, around 12:20 a.m. on Saturday, June 7, and charged her with DWI. Police observed Burr allegedly driving 10 mph over the speed limit on Western Avenue and commit traffic infractions. Police stopped her and when an officer was approaching her vehicle, she allegedly placed a piece of gum in her mouth before rolling down her window. Burr allegedly had a strong odor of alcohol on her breath, impaired motor coordination and glassy eyes, according to police. She allegedly failed standard field sobriety tests and was arrested.

During transport to the police station, she allegedly became unresponsive. The officer physically checked to make sure she was okay and she awoke and responded, according to police. A chemical breath test revealed she allegedly had a BAC of 0.17 percent. She was released to the care of emergency medical service members.

• Guilderland police arrested Anthony W. Latorre, 28, of 5 Pinewood Road in Guilderland, at 3:50 a.m. on Saturday, June 14, and charged him with DWI, failure to stay in a single lane and speeding. Police observed Latorre allegedly driving at a "high rate of speed" and committing traffic infractions before stopping him. Police observed him to allegedly have impaired motor coordination and glassy, bloodshot eyes, along with an odor of alcohol emanating from his vehicle. He was taken into custody without incident.

• Guilderland police arrested Christopher A. Plue, 53, of 120 Main St. in Albany, around 10:35 p.m. on Friday, June 13, and charged him with operating a motor vehicle while impaired by alcohol and two counts of failure to obey a traffic device. Police observed Plue allegedly drive over the white fog line on Western Avenue and activated emergency lights on the patrol car. He

then allegedly pulled into the Mr. Subb plaza parking lot by driving over the curb and parking in the middle of two spaces. Police said he appeared "jittery and nervous" and was "sweating noticeably." He allegedly told police he was looking at his ex-wife in his rear view mirror, which led to him driving over the white fog line. Police observed him to allegedly have a strong odor of alcohol on his breath and bloodshot eyes. He tested positive for alcohol intoxication on a pre-screen device. When Plue was advised he was under arrest, he placed his hands behind his back refusing to turn around until police warned about resisting arrest. He allegedly pleaded with police to not arrest him. A chemical breath test revealed he had a BAC of 0.07 percent. Police said he allegedly continued to "beg for mercy" regarding his arrest during processing.

• State Police conducted a DWI road checkpoint on State Route 910F from Western Avenue to I-87 on the night of Friday, June 20, and arrested four individuals for DWI. Those charged include George E. Tiggler, 39, of Niskayuna; Stephen E. Leon, 56, of Albany; Tina M. Uttendorfer, 34, of Rensselaer; and Dennis H. Simpson, 49, of Colonie. Police also arrested two people for possession of marijuana.

Pothole

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because the road is state owned. They eventually placed a notification on the town's website and encouraged residents to call the state's pothole hotline.

DOT workers responded numerous times and cold patched the potholes as a temporary fix.

Viggiani said the department knew of the problems on Kenwood, but there wasn't money in their budget to repave the road.

"Receiving the funding was critical for us to get the job done," Viggiani said.

Now, about \$450,000 will be spent to resurface and repave Kenwood Avenue from the Four Corners to Cherry Avenue. The hope is for much of the work to be done at night.

"At Gov. Cuomo's direction, we identified the most significantly damaged roads and are proceeding to utilize all available resources to make necessary repairs," said state DOT Commissioner Joan McDonald in a

statement. "This work will fix the damage caused by the extreme winter weather and increase safety for the traveling public."

Clarkson said he wished more money was available so that all of the town's problem areas could be fixed. But the section of road between Delaware and Cherry Avenues is in such poor condition he said it's important money was found so the repairs on Kenwood can be done quickly.

Viggiani said the work will also help with flooding issues in the area.

The area's drainage system is still functional, but the pavement along that section of road is so depressed, the road becomes washed out. Repaving will mean the road is up higher and the water will be able to flow down and drain properly.

Clarkson said this is an issue the town will continue to focus on to make sure other areas of the town also get paved in the near future.

Delaware Avenue will eventually be resurfaced after the town was awarded a \$1.2 million grant in January as part of the state's Bicycle, Pedestrian and Multi-use Enhancement Projects initiative.

The grant is through the federal Department of Transportation's Transportation Enhancement Program, and the funds are expected to be used to turn the town's Delaware Avenue Hamlet Enhancement Study into reality.

The entire project is estimated to cost around \$3.1 million, so the town will need to make up the remainder of the cost unless additional funding can be found through grants or fundraising. Construction is not expected to begin until 2015.

"Those two roads were our biggest concerns, but that's not to say we don't have other sections of road along Route 9W and Feura Bush that also need work," said Clarkson.

The repairs are expected to begin in late August or early September, with the work completed by October.

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From the Editor's Desk

Time to build a new plan

The results of a recent building study in the Guilderland Central School District were met with a quick and impassioned response from parents of students attending Altamont Elementary, a school that figured in four of the seven scenarios as closing. One of those scenarios involves doing nothing, and the other leaves room for a community-generated plan.

Administrators have responded to early concerns by reminding people that this study, prepared by outside consultant Paul Seversky, is just the beginning of a discussion about ways to address unused space in the elementary, middle and high schools. They have urged calm and invited parents to be part of the process, which will take place in community discussions in the coming months.

During that process, we would like to see the development of a “scenario seven” that doesn’t involve closing Altamont.

It seems more sensible to take a look at all of the buildings that are far short of capacity, such as the middle and high schools. In fact, the high school, which has up to 20 percent unused space, is not even mentioned in any of the scenarios, a glaring omission if we are truly looking at ways to address this problem.

While we agree that unused space is

a problem for any school district, we feel closing Altamont Elementary School is not the answer for several reasons.

For one thing, Altamont Elementary serves the largest and most geographically remote portion of the school district – the southwestern end of the town. Beyond the village of Altamont itself, the school brings in students from Guilderland Center and from the borders with New Scotland and Knox. While the number of students is small (290), the distance they travel to get to Altamont Elementary is not – the farthest having to travel 4.12 miles by bus. If Altamont Elementary were to close, those students would face far longer distances to travel – as much as 13 miles to Westmere Elementary in the northeast corner of Guilderland. Furthermore, if there weren’t a school able to absorb all of Altamont’s approximately 300 children, would they then be split up among the remaining schools? These children, who are neighbors in their community, could find themselves isolated in far-flung schools throughout the district.

Then, there is the emotional aspect of closing Altamont Elementary. For 60 years, the school has been a community center beyond just the education it provides, and that relationship is tied to

home values and economic possibilities within the village. Closing the school would not only tear apart the current relationships the village’s children have with one another, but it would also eliminate something that makes Altamont unique within the school district. No other elementary school within the district can lay claim to serving an independent community within the town.

School district officials have stated that the building study is only a preliminary report, and they will continue to study every option. They’ve also said they do not want the process to pit one school against another in an attempt to save itself from closure. We hope that’s the case, but with only two schools recommended for closure, the other being Lynnwood Elementary, that may be hard to avoid as families from both embattled schools rally to the cause.

Frankly, there are no easy options available for the district to deal with its unused space issues, and we are grateful the district appears to be in no hurry to rush a decision. These coming discussions will require a lot of out-of-the-box thinking to come up with solutions that don’t involve diminishing the education of one group of Guilderland students during their formative years.

Get to know ...



Dana Doak  
Altamont Elementary School teacher

• *Hometown:* Guilderland

What have you been reading?

Currently, “Centennial” by James Michener.

What have you been watching on TV?

I’m a Yankee fan, so I watch the Yankees. I love a lot of the home shows like “Flip or Flop” and “Property Brothers.”

What is your favorite movie?

I have three movies I watch repeatedly — “The Godfather,” “The Last of the Mohicans” and “Braveheart” — much to my wife’s chagrin. She doesn’t like any of them.

What are some of your hobbies?

I do run a lot and I swim in the pool at Tawsentha Park almost every day it’s open. I enjoy reading a lot. Probably the thing I do most is my wife, Tracy, and I will take day trips.

What would your last meal be?

I like steak and I like lasagna, so I’d take them both. If it were my last meal I’d take a lot of both.

What would be your dream vacation?

I love going to Disney in California or Florida. I went to Disney last summer with just my wife last summer, Tracy, and we had a blast. I like the rides and I like the pace of the day.

What is your favorite local moment?

I coach at the high school, so I really enjoy some of the meets that we’ve had with track and cross-country. Just last fall, out cross-country team went down to Manhattan and in the biggest cross-country meet in the country Guilderland won our division.

What is something about you that would surprise people to learn?

I enjoy spending time with my wife working around the house. Those days give me a great deal of satisfaction.

“Get to know” is a weekly feature where community members are asked questions that aren’t necessarily related to their jobs. If you know of someone you think should be highlighted, email [news@spotlightnews.com](mailto:news@spotlightnews.com).

Guest Commentary

Businesses need to be aware of climate

By MICHAEL HALLISEY

The author is a local freelance writer and editor of UpstateLIVE.com. This is part two of his article about the impact of climate change on our region. Part 1 ran in the June 18 edition.

Identifying the correlation economists draw between success and money, another area ecologist suggests another measure would help aid businesses with assessing the state of the environment.

“Success is measured in the amount of money we create, the amount of stuff we buy, production levels, but it doesn’t take into account the amount of ‘good’ that we are creating,” said Dr. Curt Gervich, an ecology professor at Plattsburgh State. “Our economic system doesn’t measure success through indicators that allow us to think about our impact on the Earth.”

Dr. Gervich teaches ecology at SUNY Plattsburgh. One of the lessons learned in his class is that of sustainable development. It’s a concept that dates back to the 1980s. As defined by the Brundtland Commission of the United Nations in 1987, it is “development that meets the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs.” He promotes an interactive learning environment for his students, such as introducing a fishing simulation where teams attempt to build a successful business. Students learn that if they fish too aggressively, they deplete the population.

In conjunction with sustainability, Dr. Gervich’s students also discuss

the subject of adaptation.

“We can’t tell the future,” said Dr. Gervich, “so I talk about Climate Change Adaptation. How do we adapt to this changing climate. I talk about it in terms of creating resiliency. It’s the idea that we can adapt to change. Climate Change may just be one change that we need to adapt to. ... Doesn’t matter if we talk about employment, climate, weather, terrorism, disease. The things that we would do are likely the same. So, I tend to not talk about climate as a singular issue to solve, it’s one in a mess of issues that we need to figure out [and] develop resilience to.”

The other side of the debate, though recognizing the planet is warming, does not necessarily agree that the global climate is changing for the worse.

“Just because we have an extreme weather event, it doesn’t necessarily mean that global warming is to blame,” said James M. Taylor of the Heartland Institute, speaking from a podcast released by the think tank shortly after Hurricane Sandy slammed the New York City metropolitan area in October 2012. “Just about any extreme weather event that we measure, we see that as our planet has gradually warmed, as we recover from the little ice age - which ended a little over 100 years ago - we’ve seen fewer of these events, and they are less extreme.

What we do have is more media, which is prone to sensationalize with these events when they do occur. And we also have more people, such that if a hurricane strikes, in this case the Northeast, there are far more people and much more

property value that’s being affected now than what was the case 60 years ago.”

Taylor is also managing editor of Environment & Climate News, a national monthly publication devoted to sound science and free-market environmentalism with a circulation of approximately 75,000 readers.

“During the 1950s, during just a two-year span, there were a number of strong tropical storms that slammed into the Northeast at that period, said Taylor. “So, when folks now say that ‘We’re having weather events now that never occurred before,’ This is a new thing’, ‘Don’t try to say it’s not Global Warming or that this isn’t the new normal’. Well, actually, just because our memories don’t go back to the 1950s, we’ve been blessed with climate, with weather, during the past several decades that has been remarkably benign. Beneficial to civilization. Beneficial to human welfare, as our planet has warmed.”

Climate change is not a new subject, nor a new topic to debate on Capitol Hill. As early as the 1988 presidential race, it was a question asked before vice presidential candidates Dan Quayle and Lloyd Bentsen. Since that time, solutions predominately remain a topic of debate, something that frustrates college students who were not even alive then.

“I think most of [my students] feel pretty powerless in their ability to do anything about it,” said Dr. Gervich. “[They] feel pretty jaded about what they see our national leadership doing also. People feel like there’s a major problem out there and no one is doing anything, [but] my students also don’t know what to do about it.”

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# New summer hours begin July 7

The library will be closed on Friday, July 4, and Saturday, July 5, for the Independence Day holiday. Summer Saturday hours, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., will begin on July 7 and continue through the month of August. All other library hours remain the same.

## Storytimes take a break

Library storytimes take a break for the next few weeks to plan for summer programming. In the meantime, visit the library for a fresh selection of reading material! Look for all of your favorite storytimes to resume at their regularly scheduled times and days beginning the week of July 7.

Family Storytime returns for a special summer appearance for kids age 2 to 8 years old. Wind down from your day with a story and a craft in the library's air-conditioned Community Room on Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m.

## Register now for summer programs

Only a few days left of school before summer vacation will officially begin. The cries of "I'm bored" will begin before you know it. Summer library programs are fun (and educational!) with built-in flexibility for families. Choose your program below, and call 756-2053 or email [info@rcscommunitylibrary.org](mailto:info@rcscommunitylibrary.org) to register today!

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**The Writing Workshop:** Young authors age 8 to 14 will write their own stories. The format is new. The workshop will be on Tuesdays and Wednesday afternoons from 2 to 3:30 p.m. for six weeks. Families will choose which weeks they will attend when they register. Three sessions is the minimum amount of time to guarantee a finished, bound book.

**My.video.project:** Participants, ages 8 to 14, will plan their own short videos using storyboard and a script. Then they can film the project with staff help at the library or family help at home. Staff members help edit and create special effects, and then securely upload the projects to the library's invitation-only YouTube account. Each session meets for 3 days. See the full schedule in your Newsletter or on our website, [www.rcscommunitylibrary.org](http://www.rcscommunitylibrary.org).

**Summer Reading Club:** Families can join the Summer Reading Club independently at the library. The Library also makes weekly visits to Town Recreation programs at A.W. Becker School, P.B. Coeymans School and Cecil Hallock Park in New Baltimore, as well as local daycare centers, and Adventures in Reading at both elementary schools.

## Computer/tech classes

Whether you are looking to develop new skills or solve longstanding problems, look to the library for guidance. Its weekly computer classes on a wide range of topics address many needs. Class size is small, so your questions will get answered. All classes are free and take place in the library. Registration is required: call 756-2053, or email [info@rcscommunitylibrary.org](mailto:info@rcscommunitylibrary.org).

**Windows 8 Whisperer:** Tame your wild new PC: Get tips and tricks to help make Windows 8 easier to use. Learn to find your apps, organize the new start menu and shutdown the easy way. Wednesday, June 25, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, June 26, at 6:30 p.m.

**Understanding My New Computer:** Learn the basics. In this class, we will review turning the computer on and off, using the keyboard and mouse, changing the date and time and personalizing the screen to help you find those handy programs that are hiding "somewhere" on your new computer. Wednesday, July 9, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, July 10, at 6:30 p.m.

**Beginning Internet:** Going Online for Beginners: Learn how to navigate the web in this beginner's class. Understand what the address bar is, how to type in a url, and add a page to your favorites. Mouse skills required. Wednesday, July 16, at 11

a.m. or Thursday, July 17, at 6:30 p.m.

**Beginning Email:** Want to know how e-mail sites like Yahoo and Gmail work? Learn how to navigate typical e-mail folders, send messages, reply, forward, and attach files. Please note: This class is not to sign up for e-mail, but to learn how e-mail is used. You may come in prior to the class if you would like help to sign up for an e-mail account. Wednesday, July 23, at 11 a.m. or Thursday, July 24, at 6:30 p.m.

## Trustee election

A result is not available yet for the write-in election to the seventh position on the 2014-15 Library Board of Trustees. It will be resolved in the next couple weeks, well before the Board's annual organizational meeting on July 14.

## New Adult Fiction

"The Hurricane Sisters" by Dorothea Benton Frank

"A Long Time Gone" by Karen White

"Mr. Mercedes" by Stephen King

"Robert Ludlum's the Bourne Ascendancy" by Eric Lustbader

"Save the Date" by Mary Kay Andrews

"That Summer" by Lauren Willig

— Judith Felsten

# Seniors organize next trip to see play

Join us for the hilarious show, "You Should Be So Lucky," at the Theater Barn in New Lebanon on Sunday, June 29, for the 2 p.m. matinee. The cost is \$24, payable to the Town of Bethlehem. The show is a contemporary Cinderella story. We'll stop for ice cream on the way home. Suggested van donation \$10.

The farmers' markets are open. Coupons for income eligible seniors may be available. Call 439-4955, ext. 1170, to inquire.

The Bethlehem Town Hall will be closed on Friday, July 4, for Independence Day.

The Senior Discussion Group, facilitated by Jane Sanders, will meet on Wednesday, July 2, from 10:30 a.m. to noon. Join others to talk about current events, human interest stories and reminisces about the past. Call 439-5770 to arrange transportation.

The Bethlehem Senior Citizens Club meets weekly on Thursdays for an enjoyable afternoon of games and socializing at the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware



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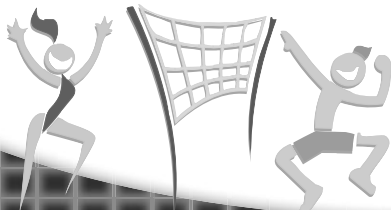
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# GPL summer reading clubs begin this week

“It’s about sparking the love of reading in kids” said Tim Wiles, Director of the Guilderland Public Library, as he announced the June 23 start of the Guilderland Public Library’s 2014 Summer Reading Club for Children and Teens. “Yes, these activities are fun, but at their core, they’re designed to inspire questions ... and the answers can be found by reading.”

There’s a lot of fun to be had in GPL’s Reading Clubs. Events include special programs by amazing guests – notably meteorologist “Hurricane Howie” Altschule (formerly of WNYT), former All American Girls Professional Baseball League player Dolly Konwinski and professionals from CNSE CMOST – and a host of awesome activities such as “Social Robotics” and “The Fizz, Boom, Read Game Show!”

There are TWO Reading Clubs: “Fizz, Boom, Read!” is tailored to young readers from Pre-K to grade 6. You can find out about all the great things going on by visiting your SRC website at [www.guilpl.org/src](http://www.guilpl.org/src).

“Spark a Reaction!” is the theme of the Teens’ Reading Club; details on all that excitement are waiting for you at [www.guilpl.org/teensread](http://www.guilpl.org/teensread); check it out. One special

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activity for teens is the “Games of Hunger” marathon on Friday, July 25; there will be pizza.

At those sites, you can download a printable club brochure if you did not receive one at school or the library.

It would not be GPL’s Summer Reading Club without the annual Family Fun Day, which is slated for Saturday, July 26. It starts early this year – at 11 a.m. – because Southpaw, the Tri-City Valley Cats mascot, will lead a special storytime! And then at noon, the games, window painting, chalk art, snacks, prizes and other awesome fun stuff begins. And it all happens in the Community Literary Garden event. (By the way, the staff invites your participation in the very special activity called “Dunk the Director.” You get the idea...) No registration required for Family Fun Day; just be there.

Registration for the clubs is easy: Just go to either [www.guilpl.org/src](http://www.guilpl.org/src) or [www.guilpl.org/teensread](http://www.guilpl.org/teensread) and sign up online. Also, find the events you want to attend,

and use the events’ online registration links to let us know you’re coming. As always, you can register online, in person, or by calling 456-2400, ext. 4.

One aspect of the club that’s new is “rolling registration.” Programs open for registration four weeks prior to the start of each program; be sure to register as soon as you can.

**“A League of Her Own”**  
If you loved the movie “A League of Their Own” – which told the story of the All American Girls Professional Baseball League – then you’re going to love the “Summertime Dreams” event at GPL on Thursday, July 10, at noon.

That’s when you’ll have a chance to meet of the players, Dolly Konwinski, who was an AAGPBL player during the 1947 – 1952 seasons.

The event begins with a showing of “Kalamazoo Klouters,” a short video narrated by Mel Allen. Dolly will then read from her book, “Summertime Dreams: Yes – Girls Can Play Baseball,” and participate in a Q&A session.

Dolly will have her



Dolly Konwinski, shown here in a 2012 photo, will speak at Guilderland Public Library on July 10. *Submitted photo*

books available for sale, and she will autograph your own baseball memorabilia for a small donation to the Guilderland Library Foundation.

### Do you collage?

Adults need creative outlets, too! Kids have the Summer Reading Club, and now adults have –

on Saturday, June 28, at 11 a.m. – Collage!

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just carries you away ... You’ll be amazed at what you create.

Please call 456-2400, ext. 2 to register, and do it soon. Space is limited.

### Quirky QR Treasure Hunt

When you’re at GPL on Monday thru Thursday, June 30 thru July 3, you’ll probably spot a bunch of little boxes that look like some sort of graphic code. Eureka! You’ve found a QR (Quick Response) code! That little coded box will lead you to a trove of “treasures” throughout the library!

Teens and tweens who successfully complete the treasure hunt form will be entered into a drawing for a great prize. No registration required, just stop by with your smart phone!

If you don’t have a smart phone, no problem! Borrow one of the library’s iPads to participate.

### About the library

The library is located at 2228 Western Ave., Guilderland. Visit the library’s website at [www.guilpl.org](http://www.guilpl.org). Check out the “unofficial” library updates at [facebook.com/GuilderlandLibrary](https://facebook.com/GuilderlandLibrary) and follow the library on Twitter @GuilderlandLib.

— Mark Curiale

# Without George Corsan, there would be no swimming lessons

If you learned to swim at the YMCA, you can thank George Corsan. If you’ve taken your son or daughter to the Y for a group swimming lesson, you can thank George Corsan. Many people who will go swimming this summer in oceans, lakes and pools can thank George Corsan, too.

So, who is George Corsan? George H. Corsan, Sr. was a Canadian who did more than any single person to popularize swimming in North America. In the early 1900’s he developed YMCA swimming programs, designed the pools and originated the first group



the Y YMCA

swimming lessons.

In response to a YMCA campaign “to teach every man and boy in North America” to swim, George Corsan arrived at the Detroit YMCA in 1909 to teach swimming using radical new methods: group swimming lessons and lessons on land as a confidence builder. In Newark, N.J., alone, he taught 800 boys to swim in just four weeks.

Swimming classes expanded throughout the century to include families and people with disabilities. In addition to helping youth feel safe around water, swim activities develop kids’ problem-solving abilities and bolster their self-esteem.

This year, the Bethlehem Y will give swimming lessons to over 400 kids and 100 adults, and there were about 200 youths on the Bethlehem-area Y swim team this year.

Prior to coming to America and the YMCA, Corsan was the head swimming instructor for the

International and National YMCAs in Canada, where he was the first swimming teacher to teach beginners the crawl stroke rather than the traditional and more difficult breaststroke.

More George Corsan facts: He directed swimming instruction at World War I training camps in California; he developed the Boy Scout masters course for aquatic instruction; he invented “water wings” for beginning swimmers; he received the Canadian Royal Life Saving Society Award of Merit in 1899; his motto was “Paddle your own canoe, but first

learn to swim.” He wrote three books on swimming, diving and life saving. His book entitled “At Home in the Water: Swimming, Diving, Life Saving, Water Sports, Natatoriums,” published in 1914, is still available and is number 12 million on the Amazon best seller list (really, it is).

Corsan was also an expert diving instructor. He wrote an article for a YMCA publication in 1918 on the need for diving instruction and the benefits of diving. In Corsan’s article, which used some colorful phrases for the time, he wrote that knowing proper diving technique is

essential if you must dive 90 feet off a sinking ship that is in flames. He also wrote that learning to dive is great for “fraidy cats” because “it is an anti-dote to faintheartedness.” He also relished the challenge of teaching diving to people he described as “structurally awkward, stiff-jointed and stupid at coordination.”

So, next time you come to the Y for a swimming lesson, or the next time you jump in a lake, or off a burning, sinking ship, take a moment to thank George Corsan, the father of swimming and diving instruction.



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## Summer Reading Program online registration is open

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Here are just a few of the upcoming programs; July 1- Bubble Trouble with Jeff Boyer; July 7 - Chickens around the World Traveling Farm (grades K-4); July 9 - Tween Creativity Lab (grades 4-6); July 10 - Summertots (newborns - 36 months). Check the website or stop in the library for program times and details.

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## Gallery artist

Thank you to Rose Larson for sharing her lovely paintings. And thank you to Joe McDonnell for displaying his awesome Hess truck collection. Our July artists, Bob Riccardo and Carol Donato, will be showing their Fonda photographs. Stop by to enjoy the excitement of Fonda Speedway, without the dirt! Our July display case will be filled with summer reading program prize packages. Which one is your favorite?

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## Kindergarten Boot Camp

Is your child ready for Kindergarten? Kindergarten Boot Camp is a circuit training exercise where you and your kindergarten-bound youngster can practice



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## Some reminders

• Our Summer Reading Program is underway! Sign up online and in the library. Get all the details in the July/August issue of Footnotes, the library newsletter.

• The library will be closed on Friday, July 4, for Independence Day.

• The library is closed Sundays in July and August.

• Beginning in July, the library board of trustees will start their monthly meetings a half hour earlier, at 6 p.m. The public is always welcome to attend.

## Summer Science: Sink or Float?

Tuesday, July 8, at 2:30 p.m. Explore buoyancy and density with demonstrations and hands-on experiments. Grade K and up with caregiver.

## Pajama-Rama with Scrubby Bear

Tuesday, July 8, at 7 p.m. Hear the Scrubby Bear story, learn his hand-washing song, see "glo-germs" and get a Clean Hands Club card. Presented by the Red Cross for kids up to age 6 with family and friends.

## Evening on the Green

Wednesday, July 9, at 7 p.m. "The Lustre Kings" perform authentic rockabilly music. Bring a blanket or lawn chair. Concerts move indoors if it rains.

## Social Robotics

Thursday, July 10, from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m. Presenters from UAlbany's Social Robotics Workshop will talk about robot-human interaction.

Participants will program a robot to perform a simple task. Grade 6-12.

## A Short History of Saratoga Race Course

Thursday, July 10, at 7 p.m. Allan Carter, historian for the National Museum of Racing in Saratoga, will share images and anecdotes of the historic track's greatest moments. His colleague, Jim Melia, will describe physical changes made to the track over the years.

## What's That?

Friday, July 11, at 10 a.m. Five Rivers staff will help us explore macro invertebrates from an area pond. Families.

## Summer Cinema

Fridays, July 11 through Aug. 29, at 2:30 p.m. Bring a blanket or pillow; popcorn provided. Call 439-9314 for details. Kids and families.

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## Active weekend at Pine Bush

The Albany Pine Bush Discovery Center at 195 New Karner Road in Colonie is hosting three family events this weekend in honor of the end of the school year.

The weekend begins with a Schools' Out Hike Friday, June 27, from 10 a.m. to noon. The two-and-a-half mile hike traverses the rolling sand dunes and explores this rare ecosystem through hands-on activities. Remember to wear sturdy walking shoes, long pants and bring drinking water.

The Caterpillar Crawl takes place Saturday, June 28, from 11 a.m. to noon. The one-mile hike will allow participants to search for newly emerged caterpillars and the signs they leave behind.

The weekend concludes with the Insect Investigation Sunday, June 29, from 1 to 2 p.m. This mile-long hike will allow participants to investigate the different types of insects that live in the Pine Bush.

The cost for each event is \$3 per person and \$5 per family. Children under 5 years of age are free. Registration is required for each event.

To make reservations or for more information, call 456-0655 or visit [www. AlbanyPineBush.org](http://www.AlbanyPineBush.org).

## Fossils of Thacher Park

The Emma Treadwell Thacher Nature Center is hosting a program called "Fossils of Thacher Park: Who were they and what do they tell us" on Sunday, June 29, at 10 a.m.

Fossils can be found in most of the rocks at Thacher State Park, but what kind of animals were they and who are their modern relatives? Geologist Chuck Ver Straeten will lead the discussion, which also includes a look at the environments at the time these animals were alive.

The program is part of the nature center's Centennial series, "Exploring Thacher Park." Call 872-0800 for information and to register.

## Free youth baseball clinics

The Capital District Transportation Authority has teamed up with the Albany Dutchmen to provide free baseball instruction to area youths during a series of one-hour clinics at Bob Bellizzi Field.



## Tech Valley High School on the move

**Guilderland resident Sara Sisson, left, and Andrew Glanton wrap lab items as Tech Valley High School prepared to move from its East Greenbush location to its new home at the SUNY College of Nanoscale Science and Engineering in Albany. This marks the second move for Tech Valley High School, which originally opened at the Rensselaer Tech Park five years ago. Sisson graduated from Tech Valley High School Saturday, June 21.**

*Submitted photo*

The "Come Play Clinics" run June 29 and July 13 from 1 to 2 p.m. Boys and girls age 6 through high school will have an opportunity to meet and work with baseball players and coaches from some of the top college and university programs in the United States. Pre-registration and equipment are not required.

For more information on the program, visit [www. dutchmenbaseball.com](http://www.dutchmenbaseball.com).

## Skating club offers program

Stay cool this summer and learn to skate, or polish your skating skills, with the Albany Figure Skating Club's summer basic skills skating program.

Group skating lessons are being offered on Saturdays from 10:45 a.m. to noon from July 5 through Aug. 30 at the Albany County Hockey Facility, 830 Albany Shaker Road in Colonie.

The program provides ice skating instruction for skaters of all ages and abilities including recreational, figure skaters and hockey skaters ages preschool to adult. Previous skating experience is not required. Skaters will have a 30-minute group lesson

with qualified instructors, followed by 30 minutes of skating time to practice or to try one of the club's new specialty classes. The program will include options for six or nine weeks.

For more information or to register, call program director Karla Schallehn at (413) 388-4773 or visit [www. albanyfsc.org](http://www.albanyfsc.org).

## Toastmasters meet July 7

The Capital Advanced Toastmasters Club will meet Monday, July 7, at 6 p.m. at Wildwood Programs, 1190 Troy Schenectady Road in Latham.

The club offers verbal and written feedback to help members achieve their speaking goals more rapidly. The monthly meetings are open to the public, and those interested in focusing on improving their speaking and presentation skills are invited.

Melinda Burns will be the toastmaster for the evening. Bill Daisak and Sabine Seiler will give advanced speeches. Advanced speakers at the meeting will receive in-depth, comprehensive evaluations.

For more information about the club, call Melinda Burns at 640-3352.

## Couch to 5K begins July 10

Join coach Callee Carpenter in the Albany Jewish Community Center's outdoor pavilion and learn how to prepare for your first five-kilometer race — the Dunkin' Run Sunday, Sept. 7 — by participating in the AJCC's Couch to 5K program.

The program begins Thursday, July 10, at 6:30 p.m. at the AJCC, 340 Whitehall Road in Albany. Whether you've run a few times, are brand new to running or looking to get in better shape, the program is here to help. Meet members of the AJCC's running club, the Running Bulldogs, make new friends to train with and have a great time.

For more information, call Carpenter at 527-6823.

## High tea in the memorial garden

Join Cornell Cooperative Extension master gardeners and staff for high tea in its memorial garden at 1 p.m. Sunday, July 13, at 24 Martin Road, Voorheesville.

There will be a variety of teas by Divinitea, sweet and savory treats, tours of the garden, folk songs

and oldies performed by Cautiously Optimistic, and garden and tea-related surprises.

Tickets are by reservation only, as there is limited seating. The cost is \$20 for adults, \$15 for children 12 and under and \$30 for a mother and any daughter under the age of 12. Reservations must be made by Wednesday, July 9.

For more information, contact Susan Pezzolla at 765-3516 or email at [sep37@cornell.edu](mailto:sep37@cornell.edu).

## Learn to geocache

Thacher State Park in New Scotland is offering a free beginners course in geocaching Saturday, July 12, from 9:30 to 11 a.m.

Geocaching is like going on a scavenger hunt. Learn about caches and how to find them using a GPS device and detective skills. Participants are asked to bring their own GPS, if they have one. Prizes will be available.

Once they've tried it, participants can enter the Saratoga/Capital Region Geocache Challenge.

For more information, call the Thacher State Park office at 872-1237.

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## BBQ benefits town fund

The New Scotland Presbyterian Church is holding a fundraising barbecue for New Scotland's Neighbors Helping Neighbors Fund Tuesday, July 15, from 4 to 6:30 p.m.

Giffy's BBQ is creating the dinners, which include a half chicken, a baked potato, cole slaw, roll and butter, a cookie and a beverage. Meals are for take out only.

The cost is \$10 in advance and \$11 the day of the barbecue. To buy pre-sale tickets, call the church office at 439-6454.

New Scotland Presbyterian Church is located at 2010 New Scotland Road in Slingerlands.

## Hudson by train and boat

Tickets are now on sale for "Rail, River, Hudson," a special one-day, car-free tourism adventure Saturday, July 12.

The day-long trip originates at 10:30 a.m. the Corning Preserve, where passengers will receive a shuttle bus trip to the Rensselaer Train Station. Passengers then take the train to Hudson for a day of shopping and a tour of Etsy. Passengers return to Albany aboard the Dutch Apple II, where they will also be served a light dinner.

Tickets are \$60 per person and include all travel costs. Passengers may pack a lunch for the trip. Parking is available through the City of Albany for an additional \$5.

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while calling Bethlehem a “model community for land-use planning.”

For years, different advisory groups have suggested a conservation easement for the town, but the idea was reintroduced in February as a possible goal for the Bethlehem’s new Open Space Technical Advisory group. Some large landowners also expressed interested in an exemption during the recent reassessment processes as another way

to provide tax relief.

Landowners could see an exemption of 50 to 90 percent on their general municipal and school district taxes by participating in the program, according to the New York State Department of Taxation and Finance.

The exemption would mainly be based on how long they committed their land to remain open space, with the shortest amount of time being 15 years. No development can occur on the land during the easement’s timeframe.

The town’s Open Space Technical Advisory group

has been discussing the guidelines for Bethlehem’s program. In early May, Planning Director Rob Leslie presented the Bethlehem Town Board with examples of conservation easements in other municipalities across the state.

Clarkson said the advisory group is reaching out to other towns that have similar easements to see how those programs were developed. Members are also seeking out advice on how to best administer the program in Bethlehem.

“Most other towns have a Conservation Board for oversight purposes, so

we might look into doing that,” said Clarkson.

After the governor signs the bill, the town would still need to hold a public hearing and pass its own local law.

Depending on the amount of acreage approved to qualify for an easement, 157 parcels of land were identified in the town as “possible participants” in the program. Land already receiving an agricultural exemption would likely not qualify.

During the presentation in May, Leslie suggested a tax clawback be set into the law, so a landowner

could still sell or develop their land if they wished. However, they or the purchaser would then need to pay the back taxes on the property. It is those types of details that will be included in discussions for the local law.

Clarkson said he hopes the new exemption will be in place for the 2015 town and county tax billing cycle.

“The entire town board is very excited about this,” said Clarkson. “It’s great from a policy perspective because now we can offer the easements people have wanted to do for some time. I believe it’s also

the first time Bethlehem has had special legislation passed by the state.”

Clarkson said he hopes the town board can look into the matter more deeply during an upcoming meeting in July.



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came out for the meeting.

Seversky did take questions, but wouldn't offer his opinion.

"It would really be inappropriate for me to answer a question like, 'OK, Paul. What should we do?'" he said. "I'm a guest outsider. It's your community. It's your kids. It's your money. ... It's a road map, but it doesn't really specify what road you should take."

Seversky said all documents the school board and officials have are what has been publically released.

"There is no other document. There is no executive summary. This is it," Seversky said. "Everybody has the same information to take a look at and study and to think about the ramifications that the study suggests, as well as the opportunities and challenges of every scenario."

## Districtwide, 22 percent of buildings unused

Unused space at the Farnsworth Middle School trumped every other building in the district.

Approximately 30 percent of the pupil capacity at the middle school is not being used. There were 1,141 students enrolled at the school this year, with it able to serve up to 490 more students.

Seversky recommends having at least 5 percent unassigned for program delivery flexibility. Still, around of a quarter of the middle school isn't being used.

Guilderland and Lynnwood elementary schools came close to being tied for the least amount of building space not being used, with both falling around 15 percent. Pine Bush and Westmere elementary

schools had about 22 percent of space unused. Altamont had the most building space not being used out of the elementary schools, falling around 24.5 percent.

Across all elementary schools, there was around 19 percent of building space not used, which could serve up to an additional 507 students, according to the study.

Over the last decade, the district has rented a significant amount of space to Capital Region BOCES, which has helped offset costs. Districtwide, the space rented to BOCES could serve up to 458 students, according to the study.

"You are renting to BOCES the equivalent of one whole school building," Seversky said. "In essence, for 10 years, you have been operating with only four elementary schools for your Guilderland population. That has been a great way to retain ... all of your neighborhood schools."

He said renting was a smart decision "business-wise" for the district and has led to more than \$550,000 annually in revenue. This also offered the benefit of collaborating with specialists, he said.

### Enrollment, attendance effects

The largest 2013-14 elementary school enrollment was Guilderland at 576 and the smallest was Altamont at 290. The remaining three elementary schools ranged from 396 to 445 students enrolled.

The high school had around 20 percent of unused space, with the ability to serve up to 443 more students. There were 1,736 students enrolled this year.

The class size "equity gaps" varied when looking at different grades across the elementary schools.

These gaps are described in the study as the difference in class sizes for schools in a certain grade. A larger

grouping of a grade-level of students in a certain attendance zone sometimes hinders effectively delivering a program.

The largest gap was in kindergarten, with an equity gap of 8 pupils, or a 34 percent difference from the highest to lowest class size. Altamont had an average kindergarten class of 15.5 students, while Lynnwood had the largest average at 23.5 students.

The smallest class size gap was in second grade at 5.2 pupils, or 23.1 percent. The smallest second grade average class size was Westmere at 17.3 students, with Altamont the highest at 22.5 students.

Out of the 103 classes sections across the elementary schools there were 34 percent below the district's minimum class size goals. Another 15 percent were exactly at the minimum goal.

There were five classes across all elementary schools at the district's maximum goal, and only one class exceeding the goal.

Over the past six years, enrollment across the elementary schools has followed varied trends.

Guilderland has seen the largest growth in enrollment over the last six years at 11.4 percent. Pine Bush Elementary School has seen the largest decline at 19.5 percent. Westmere saw enrollment drop 3.9 percent, and Lynnwood saw a 9.3 percent decline. Altamont has remained almost unchanged.

### School closure key in options

Unless the school community develops another option, an elementary school will close.

Scenario B involves serving K-5 across four elementary schools and closing Altamont for a projected savings of \$1.16 million to \$1.52 million.

Scenario E also would close Altamont, but would have K-2 served at Lynnwood and Westmere and 3-5 at Pine Bush and Guilderland. This scenario was projected to save from \$1.62 million to nearly \$2 million.

The three other scenarios all involve shifting fifth grade to the middle school.

Scenario C would close Altamont and serve K-4 at four remaining elementary schools. Scenario D would do the same except instead close Lynnwood. Both have similar saving projected from \$1.34 million to \$1.77 million.

Scenario F would have K-2 at Pine Bush and Guilderland and 3-4 at Lynwood and Westmere. Once again, Altamont would close. This scenario is projected to save from \$1.62 million to nearly \$2 million.

"I suggest the options are doable and that they are educationally sound," Seversky said. "Are all the possible options in the world on those pages, no. ... It is really doable in regards to the tools you have already and regards to the potential number of kids you'll have."

There were two other scenarios included Seversky's report, which were doing nothing (scenario A) and the school community developing its own option (scenario G).

Scenarios "E" and "F" followed the Princeton model for elementary schools, which has the typical K-5 grades split across two schools. The students would have the same classmates, but move to a different school after second grade.

The Princeton plan is projected to yield the most savings, but the unused space at the middle school wouldn't be tapped. Altamont could not be used for this format, Seversky said, because the school could not house the number of students required.

"The biggest asset you have is the middle school," Seversky said. "The size of the building, the amount of unused space, and how the building is built. ... It is a big building, but it already has the concept of houses."

The three scenarios taking advantage of the middle school's unused space would require additional talks on how integrating fifth grade into the building would be organized.

Seversky said the middle school is large enough to allow for the fifth-grade to be completely separated from the other grades.

He also said the school could be divided in half, grouping fifth and sixth graders together. This would allow for the traditional middle school instruction model to continue for seventh- and eighth-grade, while the other two grades have an elementary model.

### Altamont school closure questioned

Several people attending the community meeting were concerned about

Altamont Elementary School being slated to close in all but one of the scenarios, along with any proposal to close it.

Deb Ronan McKee, who attended Altamont and worked at the school, said she moved to the village so her children could attend the school. She worked as a librarian clerk at the school, but works now at the high school.

"How do you measure the intangibles?" McKee said.

She said students visit with senior citizens every Tuesday, held a lemonade stand in the village park during the school day and often walk to school.

Seversky said discussing such ramifications of closing the school is a conversation the community needs to have before making a decision.

Altamont Principal Peter Brabant said closing the school would have a significant impact on the community.

"The unique setting of the environment of that community school in the village, I think the perception is that will have a higher impact on the price of homes, people's willingness to buy there," Brabant said.

Shortly after the district posted the study to the website, about a week before the meeting, Brabant said he was informed people have called Realtors to cancel home viewings.

Seversky said, while he doesn't doubt Brabant claims, it doesn't fit the historical pattern.

"If there was that much interest in that area, then Altamont's enrollment would not be just stable as it has been," Seversky said. "They are looking at the K-12 quality of a school."

He said more current research suggests homebuyers look at a school district's overall quality, not individual schools within in, to decide on where to live. Property taxes will also play a significant role.

One man chimed in saying he built his home in Altamont so his children could go to the school.

Some Altamont students might have lengthy bus rides if the school closed.

The study said the student the farthest away from Altamont travels 4.12 miles on a bus to get to the school. If the school closed, that student would have to ride either 10 miles to Lynnwood, 10.8 miles to Pine Bush, 11 miles to Guilderland, or 13 miles to Westmere.

### District leaders stay silent

Guilderland Board of Education members and district administrators are not planning on publicly sharing their opinion on proposals for a few months. Most likely, board members won't weigh in until the community narrows down the options.

Wiles said, at the board's meeting the night after the Seversky's presentation, district administrators cannot discuss what they

think is the best idea, along with school board members, until the public has weighed in.

"The community will read into your offhand comments and assume that's what we're doing," Wiles said. "One of the tensions I felt in the room last night is that there are members of our community that believe we have already made a decision, and that is not true. That is not true. Nothing could be further from the truth."

A community focus group will be formed and meet in September to provide the "next step in the research," said Wiles. Thirty community members, "representative of all various stakeholders," will be selected for the focus group, which will attend a daylong session. Seversky will lead the group discussion.

"The purpose of that will really be to give our board more information for which to wrestle with when they think about what, if anything, to do next," Wiles said. "The charge to that group will not be to create an eighth scenario, but rather to more completely flush out the pros and cons of each of those options to give to the board."

The school board could then focus on narrowing down the options, or combining some of the scenarios.

There will likely be community conversations held after the school board narrows down the options.

"The difference between the focus group and the groups that will follow is that the focus group will be designed to be done in a ... representative way of the entire community," Wiles said. "When we have community conversations, that is far from what happens. Not everyone's voice is heard."

She said any decision made regarding the study would not be affecting the 2015-16 school year. The earliest decision would affect the 2016-17 budget.

"If next year we are looking at making \$2 million worth of cuts again, the urgency might move us," Wiles said. "Let's hope that doesn't happen."

Board member Catherine Barber commented on Seversky's presentation being lengthy, lasting around an hour and 45 minutes, before any questions could be asked.

Fellow member Colleen O'Connell said it would be fair to assume most people read at least the scenarios before coming to the meeting. O'Connell attended an earlier session on June 16 held for school staff members.

"To have it read back to us ... I thought it was inappropriate," O'Connell said. "I stayed for an hour and 35 minutes, and I didn't even get to the questions in the early session."

The study and a video of the community meeting is posted to the district's website.

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# Stable hands

## Albany Therapeutic Riding Center is seeking volunteers

By JOHN PURCELL  
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Finding a sense of peace within the quiet, rural landscape below the Helderberg Escarpment likely is not difficult for most people. For more than 30 years, a local nonprofit has tapped into it to provide therapy for mentally and physically disabled individuals.

Christine Lehman founded the Albany Therapeutic Riding Center in 1981 and has run the local organization through the help of volunteers and donations. The center is located in the Town of New Scotland at the end of a dead end, gravel road. The Helderbergs provide the backdrop to the riding area, where there isn't a road in sight and only the sounds of nature.

During the summer, she said, the center gets rather "hectic," but since there are no indoor facilities, activity comes to a halt in the winter.

The idea came to Lehman after she attended a national horsemen seminar and learned about a similar program offered in Michigan. She said the benefits she has experienced over the years from horses is something she wanted to give back to the community.

"We were the first ones in the area," Lehman said. "I thought it was something that I could do, and it took me a little while to get everything in place to do it."

A modest lesson fee is charged, but some riding scholarships are available for those who can't afford it. The only paid employee is a part-time stable hand to help clean the horse stalls.

The North American Riding Association for the Handicapped certified the Riding Center's program. Lehman still remains active at the center and holds an advanced certification for Cognitive and Physical Disabilities from NARHA.

The center has about a dozen volunteers, but it's looking for more people who can help out during lessons. There are about 10 students who take lessons.

Linda Masullo, volunteer coordinator for the Riding Center, said volunteers don't need to have experience working with horses or helping disabled people. There is mandatory training each volunteer must complete before helping during lessons.

Masullo said more volunteers are needed because at each lesson,



**Horses at the Albany Therapeutic Riding Center in New Scotland provide people with mental and physical disabilities therapy through riding lessons. The scenery of the riding area also provides a relaxing atmosphere.**

Photos by John Purcell/Spotlight

***"It gives them a sense of empowerment when they are sitting on top of the horse and they are the tallest one out there."***

— Linda Masullo,  
volunteer coordinator for the Riding Center

there must be three volunteers per student. Two people must walk alongside the horse, while another person is in charge of keeping the horse in control.

The optimal volunteer is able to devote a certain amount of time on a specific day each week, Masullo said, but anyone who can offer help is welcomed.

The lessons provide the students with a positive experience where they feel in control, said Masullo.

"It gives them an opportunity to do something on their own, even though it is not necessarily considered on their own," she said. "It gives them a sense of empowerment when they are sitting on top of the horse and they are the tallest one out there."

Seeing students progress and enjoy the horses is what has kept Lehman doing the program for decades.

"There is a lot of reward in seeing your students progress," she said. "We have been doing it long enough now I have had students that rode as teenagers come back and

ride as adults."

Masullo agreed watching students progress and their reactions are the most rewarding aspects of volunteering at the center.

"It's the satisfaction of seeing a student progress to the point where they might start off as a very fearful 5-year-old and become very confident and pop up on the horse like she has been doing it all her life," Masullo said. "We have had a student who is completely blind, and just to see her total trust in us to see her through her lesson — walking out to the ring and getting on the horse — something like that just blows my mind."

Adding to the peaceful atmosphere of a lesson, tranquil music is played from a boom box in the center of the riding area.

"We are not a big riding center, but we do the best we can," Masullo said. "We've had students that have been with us for a while, and then they leave us and go on to be independent riders, which is what you strive for."

After horses can no longer give lessons at the center, they continue to be housed on site. This does add to the center's operational costs, but Lehman believes it's the right thing to do.

"They are special horses and they have done a special job, and they deserve to have a healthcare program," she said.

Anyone interested in volunteering at the Riding Center can call Linda Masullo at 355-8650 or by emailing clmasullo@nycap.rr.com.

## Milestones

### Vogel, James J.

Vogel, James J., 74, of Winter Springs, Fla., and formerly of Delmar, died peacefully at home on June 15, 2014 surrounded by his loving family. He was born in Albany on January 18, 1940, the son of the late Edward H. Vogel and Margaret A. Porter Vogel.



Jim attended Vincentian Institute and Albany High School. He enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corp from 1958 to 1964, attaining the rank of Cpl. E-4. Following his military service he became a self-employed painting contractor and, in 1977, opened Vogel Wallcoverings, Inc. in Delmar. In 1987, Jim relocated to Florida where he worked as a waste water operator and then spent his retirement providing transportation services and assistance to those in need.

Throughout his life, Jim was an avid golfer, starting out as a caddy in his younger years, and enjoyed playing most at Albany Municipal Golf Course and Normanside Country Club where, in 1983, he shot two holes in one exactly one month apart. He loved bowling, playing cards, and Friday nights at Brockley's Delmar Tavern shooting darts. Doing his daily crossword puzzle with his beloved companion Punkin by his side was pure enjoyment. Later on in his life, Jim shared a love of travel and companionship with his wife Sherry.

Jim is survived by his wife Sherry Vogel, and his four children and ten grandchildren, Sandra Girasole (Anthony) and daughters Kathryn and Sarah, Donna Vogel and daughters and son Madison, Malarie, Mariel and Michael, Douglas Vogel (Carolyn) and daughters Brittany and Madeleine and Wendy Vogel (Greg) and daughters Samantha and Anya, and by his former wife Karen Vogel.

Jim is also survived by sisters Patricia McDermid, Margaret Mulroy, Joyce Martin, Jean Vogel, Carol McGlone, and brothers Richard, Edward, Thomas, Robert, William, Donald, John and David Vogel, many nieces and nephews and his close friend Jeff Vann.

Jim was extremely proud of his children and an adored "Papa" to his grandchildren. He never had an unkind word and will be remembered for his compassion, his conviction, his selfless care for others, and the pride he had for his family.

The family will remember Jim in a memorial service to be held privately. Those wishing to remember Jim in a special way can send memorial contributions to Nathaniel Adams Blanchard Post 1040 of the American Legion, 16 W. Poplar Drive, Delmar, NY 12054 or Hospice of the Comforter, 480 W. Central Parkway, Altamonte Springs, FL 32714.

A special debt of gratitude to Gail at Hospice of the Comforter for helping us more than she will ever know.

### Dean's list announcements

• Frederick Kopff, of Slingerlands, was named to the spring 2014 dean's honor list at University of Wisconsin-Madison

• Alexandra Abreu Boria, of Glenmont, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at SUNY New Paltz

• Erin Abriel, of Slingerlands, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at SUNY New Paltz

• Sarah Alloush, of Guilderland, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at SUNY New Paltz

• Kasey Brock, of Glenmont, was named to

the spring 2014 dean's list at SUNY New Paltz

• Robert Christenson, of Clarksville, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at SUNY New Paltz

• Gabrielle Cobb, of Schenectady, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at SUNY New Paltz

• Kimberly Coonan, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at SUNY New Paltz

• Charles Cultrara, of Delmar, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at SUNY New Paltz

• Allison Doherty, of Glenmont, was named to the spring 2014 dean's list at SUNY New Paltz

### Cornell Cooperative Extension Sullivan County Seeks Dynamic Individual for Executive Director

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LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 147 Sunrise, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/23/14. Office loca- tion: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom pro- cess may be served. Purpose: all lawful pur- poses. Ad#49246

LEGAL NOTICE

14th Street Vision Ex- press, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/02/14. Off. Loc.: Al- bany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 20 W. 14th St., NY, NY 10011. General Purposes. Ad#47582

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation 240 RIVERSIDE AD, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/20/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accu- mera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all law- ful activities. Ad#48480

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of 30 E 85th Properties, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/28/14. Of- fice location: Albany County. SSNY designat- ed as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad#50272

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of 31 WEST 95TH LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/19/14. Of- fice location: Albany County. SSNY designat- ed as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 123 Town Square Pl. #455, Jersey City, NJ 07310. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#49425

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LI- ABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: 328.5 HUDSON LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, June 2, 2014. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Albany County. Secre- tary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to 1072 Troy Schenectady Road, Latham, NY 12110. Ad#49931

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LI- ABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: 402-406 HAMILTON, LLC. Ar- ticles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, May 15, 2014. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Schenectady County. Secretary of

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State is agent for pro- cess against LLC and shall mail copy to 323 Clinton Street, Schenec- tady, NY 12305. Ad#48261

LEGAL NOTICE

42nd Street Vision Ex- press LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/29/14. Off. Loc.: Al- bany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 330 W. 42nd St., NY, NY 10036. Gen- eral Purposes. Ad#50871

LEGAL NOTICE

462 WEST 142ND ST LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/30/2014. Office in Al- bany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to c/o MS 1040 LLC, 309 W. 57th St., Ste. 301, NY, NY 10019. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#49919

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Notice is here- by given that the Board of Appeals of the Town of Bethlehem, Albany County, New York will hold a public hearing on Wednesday, July 2, 2014, at 7:00 PM at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Avenue, Del- mar, NewYork, to take action on an application by Arlene Martley 5 Blessing Road, Slinger- lands for an area var- iance under Article VI, Section 128-60, Swim- ming pools (E), location,. The Applicant wishes to install a swim- ming pool in the front yard which does not meet Zoning Law re- quirements. Daniel W. Coffey Chairman Board of Ap- peals Ad#48625

LEGAL NOTICE

Name: ABCD Matters LLC. Articles of Organi- zation were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 04/22/14. Office loca- tion: Albany County. SSNY has been design- ated as agent of the LLC upon whom pro- cess against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 5 Dudley Ave., Co- hoes, NY 12047. Pur- pose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#49272

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Advantafirst Capital Fi- nancial Services, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/5/14. Office loca- tion: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 11/1/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom pro- cess against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Ser- vices, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: 1675 South State Street, Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, 401 Federal St., Ste. 4, Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad#47491

LEGAL NOTICE

ALBANY TRAMPOLINE PARK LLC, filed with the SSNY on 3/4/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom pro- cess against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 30A Post Road., Colonie, NY, 12205. General Purpose. TU 6t (4538518) Ad#50889

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Ambersaria LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 6/6/14. Office lo-

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cation: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro- cess to 8 Winding Brook Dr., #1E, Guilderland, NY 12084. Purpose: any lawful activities. Ad#51241

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation AMD Realty Group, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/23/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accu- mera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all law- ful activities. Ad#49233

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation AM- PELO LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/30/2014 Off. Loc.: Al- bany Cnty. SSNY desig- nated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accu- mera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all law- ful activities. Ad#49974

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: A Sure Delivery LLC Ar- ticles of Organization were filed with the Sec- retary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/23/14. Office loca- tion: Albany County. SSNY has been design- ated as agent of the LLC upon whom pro- cess against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, 10 F Denise drive Latham, NY 12110. Ad#50460

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AT Group, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/15/14. Off. Loc.: Al- bany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 1485 5th Ave., Apt. 11D, NY, NY 10035. General Purposes. Ad#48621

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LI- ABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: BBL BMC LLC. Articles of Organi- zation filed with NY Sec- retary of State, May 23, 2014. Purpose: to en- gage in any lawful act or activity. Office: in Al- bany County. Secretary of State is agent for pro- cess against LLC and shall mail copy to 302 Washington Avenue Ext., Albany, NY 12203. Ad#49635

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION The name of the limited liability company is BEES OF THE WOODS LLC. The Articles of Or- ganization of LLC were filed with the New York Department of State on AUGUST 22, 2013. The Office of the LLC is in Albany county and the address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any pro- cess served is to STEVEN M SARGENT; 20 S CHURCH ST; SCH- ENECTADY, NY12305. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any law- ful activity to which the LLC may be organized under the LLCL of New York State. Ad#50560

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LI- ABILITY COMPANY (LLC).The name of the LLC is Beman Property Development LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on May 27, 2014. The purpose of the LLC

is to engage in any law- ful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany Coun- ty. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 302 Washing- ton Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. Ad#49969

LEGAL NOTICE

Benjamin Vision Center LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/23/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 248 W. 116th St., NY, NY 10026. Gen- eral Purposes. Ad#50866

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Bluelight Realty Man- agement Group LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/12/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of pro- cess. SSNY shall mail process to: 7281 Calamus Ave., Woodside, NY 11377. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#49417

LEGAL NOTICE

1.The name of the Limited Liability Company is BMT Sheridan, LLC 2.The Articles of Organi- zation were filed May 2, 2014.3.The office of the Limited Liability Compa- ny is located in Albany County. 4. The Secretary of State has been design- ated as the agent of the Limited Liability Compa- ny upon whom process against it may be served.5. The purpose of the Limited Liability Company is to engage in any lawful activity for which a Limited Liability company may be formed. Ad#50565

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of BOT, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/20/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 5/8/14. SSNY designat- ed as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Services, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. DE address of LLC: 1675 South State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Arts. of Org. filed with DE Secy. of State, P.O. Box 898, Dover, DE 19903. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad#49271

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of Brew LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on February 10, 2014, ef- fective on the date of fil- ing. Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any pro- cess to the LLC at 209 Lark Street, Albany, New York 12210, which is the principal business loca- tion of the LLC. The pur- pose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be orga- nized under the NYS Limited Liability Compa- ny Law. Ad#50280

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Notice of Formation- BRUTUS LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on

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5/22/2014 Off. Loc.: Al- bany Cnty. SSNY design- ated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accu- mera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. The reg. agent is: Accumera LLC at same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#49240

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Bucks County Surgical Services, LLC. Fictitious name in NY State: Bucks County Services NY, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/29/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Nevada (NV) on 8/5/11. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom pro- cess against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Cor- poration System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office of LLC: 6339 East Speedway Blvd., Ste. 201, Tucson, AZ 85710. Arts. of Org. filed with NV Secy. of State, 101 North Carson St., Ste. 3, Carson City, NV 89701. Purpose: all lawful pur- poses. Ad#50056

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The resolution, a sum- mary of which is pub- lished herewith, was adopted on the 18th day of June, 2014 and the validity of the obliga- tions authorized by such resolution may be here- after contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Bethlehem Central School District, Bethle- hem, New York is not authorized to expend money or if the provi- sions of the law which should have been com- plied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substan- tially complied with, and an action, suit or pro- ceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obli- gations were authorized in violation of the provi- sions of the Constitu- tion./s/Brittany Barrett District ClerkThe follow- ing is a summary of said resolution: 1.The title of the resolu- tion is: "BOND RESO- LUTION DATED JUNE 18, 2014 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DIS- TRICT (1)AUTHORIZING NOT TO EXCEED \$879,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF SERIAL GENERAL OBLI- GATION BONDS TO FI- NANCE THE ACQUISI- TION OF SCHOOL VE- HICLES AT AN ESTIMATED MAXIMUM COST OF \$879,000, LEVY OF TAX IN ANNUAL INSTALL- MENTS IN PAYMENT THEREOF, THE EXPEN- DITURE OF SUCH SUM FOR SUCH PURPOSE, AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THERE- WITH AND (2)AUTHO- RIZING THE EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF AN INSTALLMENT PUR- CHASE CONTRACT AS AN ALTERNATIVE METHOD OF FINANCING SAID ACQUISITION. 2. The resolution, among other things, au- thorized the Bethlehem Central School District, Bethlehem, New York (the "School District") to acquire certain school vehicles (the "Purpose") as such vehicles were generally described in the resolution and as they were generally out- lined to and considered by the voters of the School District at the School District meeting duly held on May 20, 2014.

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3. The estimated maxi- mum cost of the Pur- pose is not to exceed \$879,000. The resolu- tion authorized the is- suance of bonds and bond anticipation notes of the District in the ag- gregate principal amount of not to exceed \$879,000 pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Lo- cal Finance Law, consti- tuting Chapter 33-A of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (the "Law"). 4. The period of proba- ble usefulness of the specific objects or pur- poses for which the bonds authorized by the resolution are authorized to be issued is five (5) years, within the limita- tion of Section 11.00(a) (29) of the Law. 5. The resolution also authorized the School District to finance the Purpose by entering into an installment purchase contract as defined in Section 109-b of the General Municipal Law. 6. The resolution sum- marized hereby is avail- able for public inspec- tion during normal busi- ness hours at the School District Business Office located at 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Ad#51467

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NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LI- ABILITY COMPANY (LLC)The name of the LLC is Campus Asso- ciates VIII LLC. The Ar- ticles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on April 24, 2014. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any law- ful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany Coun- ty. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 302 Washing- ton Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. Ad#50860

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Notice of Formation of Castle Fund, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/20/14. Office loca- tion: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 16 Caldwell Blvd., Slinger- lands, NY 12159. Pur- pose: any lawful activity. Ad#49244

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Notice of Formation of Crossman, LLC. Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/30/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro- cess to Veil Corporate, 911 Central Ave., #188, Albany, NY 12206, the Reg. Agt. upon whom proc. may be served. Purpose: any lawful ac- tivities. Ad#49973

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Notice of Formation of D.S. FOURTEENTH AV- ENUE REALTY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/7/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom pro- cess against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#48648

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Notice of Formation of DADA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/23/04. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same ad- dress. Purpose: all law- ful activities. Ad#49637

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation De- dona Realty Group LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/6/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accu- mera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all law- ful activities. Ad#50553

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of DK HOME IN- VESTORS LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/20/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of pro- cess. SSNY shall mail process to: 1922 Mc- Graw Ave. #6G, Bronx, NY 10462. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#49427

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of DLSS, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 6/9/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designat- ed as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: David LaPierre, 1 Park Square, Apt. 1424, Rah- way, NJ 07065. Pur- pose: any lawful activity. Ad#51033

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: DO- MINION EQUIPMENT PARTS, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 02/19/14. Of- fice location: Albany County. C T CORPO- RATION SYSTEM has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. C T CORPO- RATION SYSTEM shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, Corporate Service Bureau, Inc., 283 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: For any lawful pur- pose. Ad#48873

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Dr. Halland Medical, PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/27/2014. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o the LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all law- ful activities. Ad#49977

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Drafthouse Media, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/27/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Texas (TX) on 12/21/12. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom pro- cess against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Capitol Ser- vices, Inc., 1218 Central Ave., Ste. 100, Albany, NY 12205. TX address of LLC: 612 A E. 6th St., Austin, TX 78701. Arts. of Org. filed with TX Se-

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cy. of State, 1019 Bra- zos St., Austin, TX 78701. Purpose: any lawful act or activity. Ad#49925

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OFLIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of Straight Edge Properties, LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on June 2, 2014, effective on the date of filing. Of- fice Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any pro- cess to the LLC at 15 Kenlyn Drive, Albany, New York 12205, which is the principal business location of the LLC. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to en- gage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the NYS Limited Liability Company Law. Ad#49972

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Exotic Car Export LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 5/15/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designat- ed as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro- cess to 745 Albany Shaker Rd., Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: any lawful activities. Ad#48443

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of FD 131ST AZ LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/15/14. Of- fice location: Albany County. SSNY designat- ed as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 54 Diamond St. 4 Fl., Bklyn, NY 11222. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#49420

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Gutchess East LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/15/14. Office loca- tion: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation Sys- tem, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, the regis- tered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: all lawful pur- poses. Ad#48273

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Hanley Media Lab LLC, Art. of Org. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) 4/23/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designat- ed as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of pro- cess to 595 New Loudon Rd #278, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: any lawful activities. Ad#48392

LEGAL NOTICE

ARTICLES OF ORGANI- ZATION of HB OF LATH- AM, LLC Under Section 203 of the Limited Li- ability Company Law- FIRST: The name of the limited liability company is HB OF LATHAM, LLC. SECOND: The County within this state in which the office of the limited liability company is to be located is Albany. THIRD: The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the limited lia- bility company upon whom process against it may be served. The ad- dress within or without this state to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any pro- cess against the limited liability company served

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upon him or her is:HB OF LATHAM, LLC/c/o DAVID R. GREEN, ESQ.P.O. BOX 11177LOUDONVILLE, NEW YORK 12211-FOURTH: Purpose of company. The purpose for which the company is formed is to engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be formed under Section 203 of the limited Liability Company Law of the State of New York.SUB-SCRIBED this 12th day of May, 2014. David R. Green, Organizer Ad#48044

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Healthy Minds, Physician, PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/13/2014. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o the LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#48019

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: Hoffman Brothers Realty LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 05/05/2014. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: Hoffman Brothers Realty LLC, c/o Tabner, Ryan and Keniry, LLP, 18 Corporate Woods Boulevard, Suite 8, Albany, New York 12211. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity for which a limited liability company may be formed under section 201 of the Limited Liability Company Law. Ad#47576

LEGAL NOTICE

HS2 PRODUCTIONS LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 5/27/2014. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to PO Box 871, Albany, NY 12201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Principal business location: 283 Washington Ave., Albany, NY 12206, which is also the address of the registered agent, Corporate Service Bureau Inc., upon whom process against the LLC may be served. Ad#49447

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of INSITU WORKS LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/22/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 340 E. 23 St. # 3D, NY, NY 10010. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#49411

LEGAL NOTICE

Jalsa Realty, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 06/04/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, 201(B) Cove Road, Oyster Bay, NY 11771. Purpose: General. Ad#49980

LEGAL NOTICE

The name of the limited liability company is JCD DANCE CENTER II LLC. The Articles of Organization of LLC were filed with the New York Department of State on July 25, 2013. The office of the LLC is in Saratoga county and the address

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to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served is to STEVEN M. SARGENT; 20 S. Church St; Schenectady, NY 12305. The purpose of this LLC is to engage in any lawful activity to which the LLC may be organized under the LLCL of New York State. Ad#49015

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of JF Zheng Properties, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/8/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. Ad#47581

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation JGR Property Group LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/29/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#49442

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of JRH PROPERTIES, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/9/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#48658

LEGAL NOTICE

K.A.I. Services, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/08/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 129 9th St., Staten Island, NY 10306. General Purposes. Ad#48622

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK-BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: Kenwood Development Group, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 6/3/14. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to P. O. Box 330, Voorheesville, NY 12186. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity. Ad#49979

LEGAL NOTICE

The resolution, a summary of which is published herewith, was adopted on the 18th day of June, 2013 and the validity of the obligations authorized by such resolution may be hereafter contested only if such obligations were authorized for an object or purpose for which the Bethlehem Central School District, Bethlehem, New York is not authorized to expend money or if the provisions of the law which should have been complied with as of the date of publication of this notice were not substantially complied with, and an action, suit or proceeding contesting such validity is commenced within twenty days after the date of publication of this notice, or such obli-

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gations were authorized in violation of the provisions of the Constitution./s/Brittany Barrett District ClerkThe following is a summary of said resolution:

1. The title of the resolution is: "TAX ANTICIPATION NOTE RESOLUTION DATED JUNE 18, 2014 OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BETHLEHEM CENTRAL SCHOOL DISTRICT AUTHORIZING NOT TO EXCEED \$2,500,000 AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT OF TAX ANTICIPATION NOTES AND DETERMINING OTHER MATTERS IN CONNECTION THEREWITH.

2. The resolution, among other things, authorized the Bethlehem Central School District, Bethlehem, New York (the "School District") to issue tax anticipation notes in an amount not to exceed \$2,500,000 pursuant to and in accordance with the provisions of the Local Finance aw, constituting Chapter 33-A of the Consolidated Laws of the State of New York (the "Law").

3. The period of probable usefulness of the specific objects or purposes for which the tax anticipation note authorized by the resolution are authorized to be issued is five (5) years, within the limitation of Section 11.00(a)(36) of the Law.

4. The resolution summarized hereby is available for public inspection during normal business hours at the School District Business Office located at 700 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, New York 12054. Ad#51468

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Lilly Shopping Spree LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/27/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Office of Sam J. Nole, CPA, 350 Fifth Ave., Ste. 7412, NY, NY 10118. Purpose: any lawful activity. Ad#50055

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Liquor Intelligence LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/12/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#47721

LEGAL NOTICE

LouRos Properties, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 05/21/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY des. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to Anna Evangelista, 169-24 25th Avenue, Whitestone, NY 11357. Purpose: General. Ad#50259

LEGAL NOTICE

Ma Lumiere, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 12/16/13. Off. Loc.: New York Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Bernard Figueroa, 511 3rd Ave., Asbury Park, NJ 07712. General Purposes. Ad#48619

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MADISON J PARK, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/5/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it

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may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Maurice Ades, 304 Park Ave. S., 11th Fl., NY, NY 10010. Purpose: any lawful activity. Ad#49432

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of limited liability company (LLC): Magnolia Home Improvement Company LLC, 90 State Street #700 Albany NY 12207, in Albany County, filed Articles of Organization with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on February 14, 2014. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy process to the LLC at P.O. Box 12691 Albany, NY 12212. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#48279

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Manhattan Hathor, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/6/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: Corporation Service Company, 80 State Street, Albany, NY 12207, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Purpose: any lawful activity. Ad#47499

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation MANI VASCULAR SURGERY PLLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY 5/30/2014. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o the LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#49976

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MB10 LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/7/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#48662

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Mega Force Management LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/13/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 82 Lake Pl., Bklyn, NY 11223. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#49418

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC)The name of the LLC is Mercer Properties LLC. The Articles of Organization of the LLC were filed with the NY Secretary of State on May 16, 2014. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful act or activity. The office of the LLC is to be located in Albany County. The Secretary of State is designated as the agent of the LLC upon whom process against the LLC may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC is 302 Washington Avenue Extension, Albany, New York 12203. Ad#49968

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LEGAL NOTICE

Metro Vision Express LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/29/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 95-19 63rd Dr., Rego Park, NY 11374. General Purposes. Ad#50868

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of Midwood Preservation LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/16/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 340 E. 64 St. #14K, NY, NY 10065. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#49424

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of MIH CONSULTING, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/16/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#48640

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: MJBK LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, April 30, 2014. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to Kate Novitsky, 42 Whipple Way, Altamont, NY 12009. Ad#47590

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: MM MHP I LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, June 4, 2014. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to Francis M. McCloskey, 18 Locust Street, Albany NY 12203 Ad#50451

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION DOMESTIC LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC).Name: MM MHP II LLC. Articles of Organization filed with NY Secretary of State, June 4, 2014. Purpose: to engage in any lawful act or activity. Office: Albany County. Secretary of State is agent for process against LLC and shall mail copy to William K. Mafriaci, 18 Locust Street, Albany NY 12203. Ad#50457

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation MOJO Health and Wellness, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/12/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#47720

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: NICHOLS MARINE LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on

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2/11/2014. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Nichols Marine LLC, c/o Legalzoom.-Com, Inc.,9900 Spectrum Drive, Austin, 78717. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#49446

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of NIMALE LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/22/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 2608 E. 11th St. 2 Fl., Bklyn, NY 11235. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#49428

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qualification of Nottingham Surgical Services, LLC. Fictitious name in NY State: Nottingham Services NY, LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) 5/29/14. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Nevada (NV) on 4/18/08. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o CT Corporation System, 111 8th Ave., NY, NY 10011, the registered agent upon whom process may be served. Principal office of LLC: 6339 East Speedway Blvd., Ste. 201, Tucson, AZ 85710. Arts. of Org. filed with NV Secy. of State, 101 North Carson St., Ste. 3, Carson City, NV 89701. Purpose: all lawful purposes. Ad#50057

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: OLD DAWG CONSTRUCTION, LLC. Articles of organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 06/06/14. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC, c/o Pastel & Rosen, LLP, 130 Washington Avenue, Albany, New York 12210. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#50057

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF PSYVIP EXECUTIVE PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES PLLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/20/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 832, E. Quogue, NY 11942. Purpose: Psychology. Ad#50859

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Open Lane Group LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/15/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#48388

LEGAL NOTICE

PRAFIX LLC Notice of formation of Prafix LLC, a limited liability company (the "LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 6/2/14. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, 35 Summit Avenue, Albany, New York 12209. Purposes: any lawful activity. Ad#49932

LEGAL NOTICE

Pawn & Buy LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/30/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process

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to: The LLC, 2716 Church Ave., Brooklyn, NY 11226. General Purposes. Ad#50872

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of PCH, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/9/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#48654

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of PRISTINE LUXURY RENTALS L.L.C. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 4/22/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 65-06 Grand Central Pkwy. #3C, Forest Hills, NY 11375. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#49410

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation PRIVATE SOURCE BY MIN-DI LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 6/9/2014 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#50554

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. NAME: Psychologically Compatible LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 5/22/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of process to the LLC at, 154A Hicks Street, Brooklyn, New York 11201. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#48889

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of PSYVIP EXECUTIVE PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES PLLC. Art. of Org. filed w/Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 12/20/13. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 832, E. Quogue, NY 11942. Purpose: Psychology. Ad#50859

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION of RAI R LLC. Art. of Org. filed w/ Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/7/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SSNY shall mail process to: 3056 Lawton Ave., Bronx, NY 10465. Purpose: Any lawful activity. Ad#49416

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of RAVI MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 5/27/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 46 State St., Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#49638

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Notice of Formation of Renatus Portfolio Company LLC. Arts. of Org.

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filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on 5/15/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o United Corporate Services, Inc., 10 Bank St., Ste. 560, White Plains, NY 10606. Purpose: any lawful activity. Ad#42875

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of S. Kraut, LLC. Arts of Org filed with NY Secy of State (SSNY) on 4/15/14. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: PO Box 555 Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#50892

LEGAL NOTICE

SHEEHY MANOR REALTY, LLC Notice of formation of Sheehy Manor Realty, LLC, a limited liability company (the"LLC"). Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of NY (the "SSNY") on 5/16/14. Office location: Albany County. The SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served. The SSNY shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC, Beltrone Living Center, Six Winners Circle, Colonie, New York 12205. Purposes: any lawful activity. Ad#49636

LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC HEARING NOTICE, TOWN OF BETHLEHEM, ALBANY COUNTY, NY. Notice is hereby given that the Planning Board, will conduct a Public Hearing as part of its regularly scheduled Board Meeting on Tuesday, 07/01/2014 at 6:00 PM, at the Town Offices, 445 Delaware Ave, Delmar, NY regarding a Special Use Permit / Site Plan Amendment application, submitted by South Albany Airport Corporation, in connection with proposed improvements, as shown on drawings entitled: Relocate / Improve Fuel Farm, Establish Heliport / Pave Apron and Associated Taxi-lanes, South Albany Airport, last revised 05/16/2014; prepared by Passero Associates, Albany, NY. Documentation related to the application can be viewed in the Dept. of Economic Development & Planning, Town Hall, Rm 203, M-F, 8:30 AM- 4:30 PM. Notice of Public Hearing will be posted on the Town's website and printed in the 06/25/2014 issue of the Spotlight Newspaper. Residents / Owners of properties within 200 feet of the project will receive notice via US mail. All interested persons are invited to attend and be heard. Ad#51359

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of limited liability company ("LLC"). Name of LLC: Spectra Learning, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on May 22, 2014. LLC office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail a copy of any process against the LLC served upon it to: Spectra Learning, LLC, 140 Grand Street, Albany, New York 12202. LLC has been formed to engage in any lawful act or activity. Ad#49640



# Altamont Elementary School awarded \$75k grant

## State designation spurs funding for professional development

By JOHN PURCELL  
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Altamont Elementary School’s designation as a Reward School has led to the district receiving \$75,000 to enhance professional development.

The State Education Department awarded the grant funding, which will be used for additional professional development and helping the school spread what their best practices are for achieving success. Student performances from the 2010-11 and 2011-12 school years were used to determine the designation.

Assistant Superintendent for

Instruction Demian Singleton announced the grant at the Guilderland Board of Education meeting Tuesday, June 17.

Similar to other state test scores across other schools in the district and state, Altamont Principal Peter Brabant said the school had “quite a dramatic drop” following implementation of the Common Core standards.

“Last year, when I was sitting there with my head in my hands trying to make sense of this on one day, the next day, I get a letter from the Department of Education saying, ‘Congratulations, you are a Reward School,’” Brabant said. “It was difficult to juxtapose the two when we were struggling with the drop in scores.”

The opportunity to receive the grant was

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— Altamont Principal Peter Brabant

an added bonus to the designation, Brabant said.

“First, I was just happy for the piece of paper, and then I was more happy there could be green paper along with it,” he said.

The designation was given because Altamont was able to have similar scores for all students.

“We have relatively small achievement gaps between our overall population of economically

disadvantaged students,

as well as students with disabilities, and that is what the Reward School identification most addressed,” Brabant said.

Altamont had 59 children qualifying for free and reduced meals at the beginning of this school year, which accounted for 20 percent of its students. The school also has the largest percentage of students qualifying for free and reduced meals in the

district. Guilderland and Westmere elementary schools have more students qualifying for such meals, but the percentages are, respectively, 13.7 percent and 16.8 percent. The environment of the smaller school is what Brabant said helped achieved the designation. “I think it allows us the unique ability to get to know the students and who they are as learners and to really target very specifically on their needs for growth, academically and socially,” Brabant said. “When you connect those two pieces ... you can really make some gains with kids in good ways.”

Brabant said there might have been similar results at other schools in the district, but the percentages of free and

reduced lunch or students with disabilities might have been lower.

“All of the elementary schools in our school district are excellent and do the same work,” Brabant said. “This reward does not indicate that any one school is doing better than all the other schools.”

Pine Bush Elementary School also received Reward School designation, but was not awarded grant funding. Every Reward School can apply for a grant.

Brabant said school leaders are meeting with district administrators to determine exactly how the grant funding can be spent.

“Basically, what we are hoping to do is get professional development and services that enhance delivery of instruction to our students,” he said.

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Suffolk County Equities LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 05/12/14. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2400 Sound Dr., Greenport, NY 11944. General Purposes. Ad#50864

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SUPREME COURT OF THE STATE OF NEW YORK - COUNTY OF ALBANY INDEX # A00285/2013 FILED: 02/26/2014 SUPPLEMENTAL SUMMONS AND NOTICE Plaintiff designates Albany County as the place of trial. Venue is based upon the County in which the mortgage premise is situated. DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE, IN TRUST FOR THE REGISTERED HOLDERS OF MORGAN STANLEY ABS CAPITAL I TRUST 2004-WMC3, MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2004-WMC3, Plaintiff against Unknown heirs at law of Betty Tsai, and if they be dead, any and all persons unknown to the plaintiff, claiming, or who may claim to have an interest in, or generally or specific lien upon the real property described in this action; such unknown persons being herein generally described and intended to be included in the following designation, namely: the wife, widow, husband, widower, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees of such deceased, any and all persons deriving interest in or under them, or either of them, and their respective wives, widows, husbands, widowers, heirs at law, next of kin, descendants, executors, administrators, devisees, legatees, creditors, trustees, committees, lienors, and assignees, all of whom and whose names, except as stated, are unknown to the plaintiff; Chase Bank USA, N.A., FIA Card Services, N.A., The People of the State of New

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NOTICE OF FORMATION The name of the limited liability company is \_M2 HOLDINGS LLC. The Articles of Organization of LLC were filed with the New York Department of State on July 22, 2013. The office of the LLC is in Schenectady county and the address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process served is to STEVEN M SARGENT; 20 S Church St; Schenectady, NY 12305. The purpose of the LLC is to engage in any lawful activity to which the LLC may be organized under the LLCL of New York State. Ad#49535

# Honest Weight celebrates milestone

## Co-op market holds event in honor of one-year anniversary

By MARCY VELTE  
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Customers who visited Honest Weight Food Co-op last weekend were treated to free food and giveaways in celebration of the store's one-year anniversary at its new location.

After years of planning and fundraising, construction finally began on a larger Honest Weight Food Co-op in August of 2012. The new natural foods grocery store opened the following year in June.

"We have good reason to be feeling festive as we hit our one-year mark in the new store," said Lily Bartels, Honest Weight's communications leader.

The original store opened in 1976 at its old location on Central Avenue. The new store on Watervliet Avenue is nearly double the size and allows for a larger selection of items, prepared foods and a space for cooking demonstrations. It also offers more parking and outside seating for diners.

The entire project cost

about \$5.4 million. The funds were obtained through private loans and an internal loan program. About 300 people participated in the loan program, providing nearly \$1.2 million in funds.

The one-year anniversary was celebrated on Saturday, June 21.

Music was performed by local artists inside the store, while a DJ provided tunes outside. More than a dozen local vendors provided samples of their products, and the Chefs Consortium provided a free meal to anyone who made a purchase inside the store. Customers were also given a free Honest Weight canvas tote bag, along with various sales throughout the store and door prizes.

For the kids, there were face painting and games.

"This day will be as much about celebrating our members, shoppers, and the larger community that have so exuberantly embraced and supported our new store as it is about the remarkable success we've experienced here since we opened last summer," said Bartels.

For more information on the Co-op, visit [www.hwfc.com](http://www.hwfc.com).



Honest Weight Food Co-op celebrated the one-year anniversary of its Watervliet Avenue location Saturday, June 21, with a picnic featuring food from more than a dozen Capital District vendors and music inside and outside the store.

Marcy Velte/Spotlight

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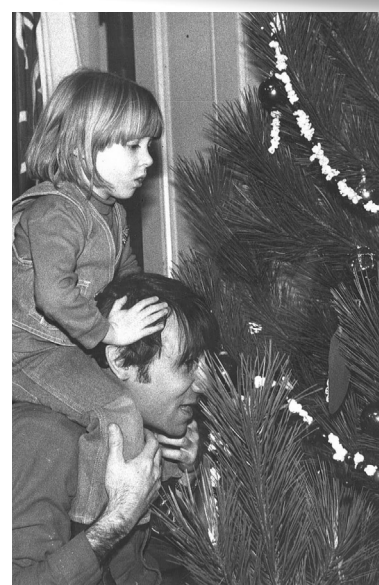
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**Above: Members of Community United Methodist Church in Slingerlands dish up strawberry shortcake Saturday, June 21. The surrounding photos depict events throughout the church's 143 years of history.**

## A farewell to the flock

The parishioners of Community United Methodist Church in Slingerlands held one final event for the community as the church plans to close its door at the end of the month.

A strawberry social was held on Saturday, June 21, as a thank you on behalf of the congregation to the Bethlehem community. Parishioners served fresh strawberry shortcake to visitors for free, along with other baked goods.

The church has faced financial difficulties in recent years due to low membership and high maintenance costs. The Rev. Laurel Phillips said only about 25 people show up to services each Sunday and the church has been

sustaining itself with endowment money.

The church was originally established in 1871 after the town's Methodists split into two groups following an argument over where to build their new church.

The church is a local landmark and is within the Slingerlands Historical District that was dedicated last year. The hope is someone will purchase the building for the continued use as a worship space, or that the building at least find a secular buyer so it doesn't fall into disrepair.

A dinner and program for members will be held on Saturday, June 28. The final worship service will be held on Sunday, June 29.

—*Marcy Velte*



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# Spring

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the first five innings of their Class AA regional final June 6, but the Warriors rallied for an 8-7 victory in eight innings.

“It was unexpected and heartbreaking, of course,” said Gentile. “The kids fought hard, but they weren’t able to close it out.”

Despite falling short of a regional title, there is much to look forward to for Bethlehem. The Lady Eagles return most of their starters for the 2015 season including pitcher Emma Downing, Sarah Homsey and K.K. Palmerino.

## Runner up: Guilderland boys tennis

The Dutchmen captured their third Sectional team title in the last four years by beating Niskayuna 5-3 in the finals May 15. However, head coach Curtis Snyder refused to use the word “dynasty” in describing his team’s success.

“I don’t think that’s something I should call them. We’ve just been fortunate to win this three out of the last

four years,” said Snyder.

Alex Fedorov led the way for Guilderland. Fedorov posted a perfect record against Suburban Council competition at No. 1 singles, including a 6-2, 6-2 victory over Niskayuna’s Russell Santos in the team Sectional finals. Fedorov lost to eventual champion Michael Haelen in the semifinals of the individual Sectional singles tournament, but he qualified for the state championships by sweeping Ballston Spa’s Nick Spoor 6-1, 6-2.

Guilderland also sent a doubles team to states as Michael Zhu and Bill Dong defeated teammates Salil Chaudhry and Connor O’Brien in the consolation match.

## Honorable mention: Guilderland girls lacrosse

The Lady Dutch reached the Class A Sectional finals for the eighth consecutive year, but they fell short of repeating as champions as Shaker edged them 8-7. Julia Lennon scored the winning goal with 50.7 seconds left to help the Blue Bison beat Guilderland for the third time in 2014.

## Honorable mention: Voorheesville baseball

The Blackbirds nearly won their third consecutive Sectional championship. They led Colonial Council rival Fonda-Fultonville entering the bottom of the seventh inning in the Class B finals May 28, but the Braves scored twice to pull out a 3-2 victory.

## Top individuals: Grace Smith and Leah Triller

The two track and field stars tied for this honor after they both win state and Federation titles at the New York State High School Championships June 6 and 7. Smith of Bethlehem won the girls high jump by clearing the bar at 5 feet, 7 inches, while Triller — a Glenmont resident attending Academy of the Holy Names — took first place in the 800-meter race with a time of 2:13.10.

Bethlehem’s Brian Greenberg was the top local male athlete at the state track championships. Greenberg finished third in the Division 1 (large school) triple jump with a distance of 47 feet, 3.5 inches, and he placed fourth in the Federation triple jump with a distance of 46 feet, 1.5 inches.

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# Skid

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Nick Jewett’s sacrifice bunt moved both runners into scoring position for Locklear, who drove them home with a single to left-center field for a 3-1 lead.

Mohawk Valley (11-5) got within a run of Albany on Justin Thomas’ sacrifice fly in the top of the eighth inning. However, Lee smacked a double to the top of the outfield wall and came home on Jewett’s sacrifice fly in Albany’s half of the eighth inning to give the Dutchmen an insurance run.

Spencer Hotaling earned his third win of the season for Albany. Hotaling struck out three batters and didn’t allow an earned run in six innings of work for the Dutchmen. Two relievers kept the Diamond Dawgs at bay the rest of the night.

Albany’s rough patch began Wednesday, June 18, when Watertown swept the Dutchmen in a doubleheader at Bellizzi Field. Amsterdam defeated Albany 11-6 Thursday, June 19, and the Dutchmen dropped road games at Newark Friday, June 20, and Glens Falls Saturday, June 21.

Watertown defeated Albany 10-2 and 4-1



Albany second baseman Adam Lee makes contact with the ball during a Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League contest against Mohawk Valley June 22 at Bob Bellizzi Field in Albany.  
*Rob Jonas/Spotlight*

in last Wednesday’s doubleheader. The Rams scored all 10 of their runs in the opener during the sixth and seventh innings, and they used a pair of second-inning runs in the nightcap to take the lead for good.

Amsterdam didn’t give Albany a chance to get into last Thursday’s game at Bellizzi Field. The Mohawks scored three runs in the first inning and two more in the second inning on their way to a 7-0 lead. Albany closed the deficit to three runs before Amsterdam

pulled away again.

Newark used a three-run rally in the second inning to take a 4-0 lead, and the Pilots never looked back in beating Albany 9-2 last Friday. Then, Glens Falls shut down the Dutchmen 6-0 Saturday at East Field to send Albany into third place in the division.

Albany got its first day off in more than one week Monday, June 23. After visiting Utica Tuesday, June 24, the Dutchmen return to Bellizzi Field Wednesday, June 24, to face Amsterdam.

# Bethlehem, Guilderland place at tourney

Tigers Sports Club won the inaugural Empire Cup baseball tournament June 21 and 22.

Tigers defeated Clifton Park/Halfmoon 9-7 in the championship game Sunday, June 22, at Lansingburgh High School to finish the 16-team tournament with a 5-0 record. Tigers knocked off North Colonie 9-3 in one semifinal, while Clifton Park/Halfmoon edged Upstate Chill’s 18-and-under squad 4-3 in the other semifinal.

The Bethlehem Eagles were one of five teams to finish with a 3-1 record. The Eagles beat the Montreal Prospects 6-2 and the Guilderland White Bulldogs 15-14 on the first day of pool play at Line Drive Field, but they lost to Upstate Chill 18U 9-3 on Day 2 to fall short of winning their bracket. Bethlehem shut out Ottawa 5-0 in a consolation contest June 22 at Clifton Commons.

The Guilderland Red Bulldogs also posted a 3-1 record at the Empire Cup. The Red Bulldogs bounced back from a 13-1 loss to

Clifton Park/Halfmoon in the opener June 21 at Clifton Commons to defeat the Montreal Rockies 11-2 and the Electric City Charge 5-1.

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## Dutchmen Player of the Week

Pitcher Drew Tolson was named the Albany Dutchmen's second Spotlight Player of the Week. The Baylor University righthander had a quality start against Utica Tuesday, June 17. Tolson tossed seven innings and held Utica to one run on one hit while striking out six batters. He retired the side in order in six of the seven innings he pitched.



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## Weekly poll

Will the United States ever be on par with the elite soccer nations of the world (i.e. Brazil, Germany)?

- Yes
- No
- No opinion

Go to [spotlightnews.com](http://spotlightnews.com) and click on "Sports" to cast your vote.

## Previous poll results:

Will the Tri-City Valleycats repeat as New York-Penn League Champions?

- Yes 100%
- No 0%
- No opinion 0%



Above: Bethlehem's Emma Downing pitched the Lady Eagles to their second Section II Class AA title in the last four years by limiting Columbia to one hit in a 1-0 victory May 31. Right: Guilderland's Alex Fedorov went undefeated against Suburban Council tennis competition in 2014. Rob Jonas/Spotlight



# A look back at spring

## BC softball, G'land tennis win Sectional titles

By ROB JONAS  
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It's time to take a glance back at the recently completed spring season.

### Team of the spring: Bethlehem softball

The Lady Eagles proved that

a seeding is only a number. What matters is what happens on the field.

Bethlehem entered the Section II Class AA playoffs as the No. 5 seed, but the Lady Eagles knocked off defending champion Guilderland in the quarterfinals, Suburban Council North Division champion Shenendehowa in the semifinals and South Division rival Columbia in the finals for

their second Sectional title in four years.

"We beat three excellent teams this year," said Bethlehem coach Karen Gentile. "We timed our getting hot at the right time."

Bethlehem's 1-0 victory over Columbia in the finals May 31 illustrated how far the Lady Eagles had come since the beginning of the season. They didn't commit an error, and they

manufactured the winning run on three hits in the sixth inning.

"This team has gelled tremendously," said Gentile. "I knew this team had potential, but it was up to them to realize that potential."

The Lady Eagles nearly rode their momentum into the state semifinals. They led Section III champion Liverpool 7-0 through

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# Hotaling pitches Dutchmen out of skid

## Albany scores two runs in bottom of the sixth inning to pull away from Mohawk Valley

By ROB JONAS  
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The Albany Dutchmen broke a five-game losing streak with a 4-2 victory over the Mohawk Valley Diamond Dawgs Sunday, June 22, at Bob Bellizzi Field.

The Dutchmen (9-6) scored two runs in the bottom of the sixth inning to beat the team that supplanted them from the Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League East Division lead.

Albany fell behind 1-0 on Colin Hawk's sacrifice fly in the top of the third inning, but the Dutchmen got that run back in the bottom of the fifth. James Locklear singled to start the frame, and he came home on Demetrius Webb's single.

Albany took the lead one inning later. Adam Lee singled and Danny Hrbek walked to begin the bottom of the sixth.

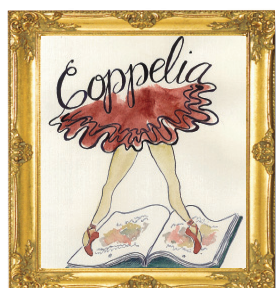
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Albany's Spencer Hotaling delivers a first-inning pitch in a Perfect Game Collegiate Baseball League game against Mohawk Valley Sunday, June 22. Rob Jonas/Spotlight



## Pick of the week



### Coppélia Doll Party

On Saturday, June 28, at 10 a.m., celebrate the 40th anniversary of Balanchine's Coppélia at the National Museum of Dance Alfred Z. Solomon Children's Wing.

Children ages 2 and up are invited to dress up, bring their own doll and take part in the celebration. Enjoy a reading of the story of Coppélia, as well as an interactive dance demonstration. Children can have their faces painted like a doll and take pictures with Coppélia.

Admission is \$5 per child. Reservations are requested. Limit of 20 children. For questions, email [programming@dancemuseum.org](mailto:programming@dancemuseum.org) or call 584-2225. The National Museum of Dance is located at 99 South Broadway in Saratoga Springs.



### Coming attractions

The Spotlight arts calendar highlights happenings all over the Capital District.

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Travel advances changed the landscape of New York as once-laborious journeys were whittled down by the advent of the canal system and rail travel. A new exhibit at the Schenectady County Historical Society Museum highlights those changes. *Submitted photos*

# Local movement

## Exhibit highlights the ways canals and railroads made history in New York

By DANIA BIANCHI  
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**A**dvances in technology change the way we live, and life in the 18th century was no exception when tracks were laid, creating a new path for change across New York state.

In 1825, the creation of the Erie Canal made a trip that once took weeks from Albany to Buffalo,

now only a five-day journey on the canal. Often referred to as the Eighth Wonder of the World, the canal made New York the Empire State. In 1825, more than 40,000 passengers traveled the new waterway. That is, until the railroad came to town. The invention of the steam locomotive and the creation of a vast network of railroads changed history in New York.

The Schenectady County Historical Society Museum is now offering

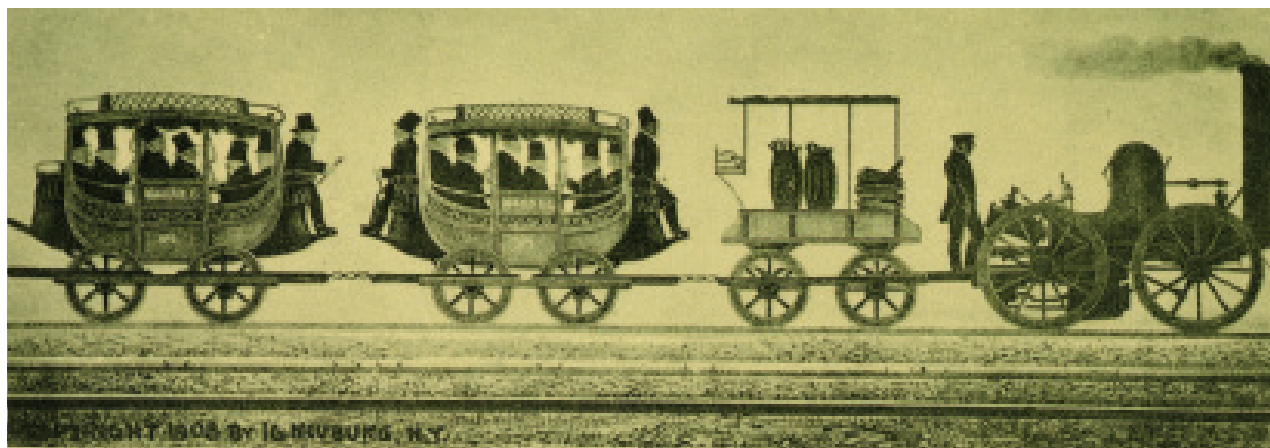
an in-depth look at New York State's railroads and canalways in the exhibit "Canals and Railroads: From Collaboration to Competition," which opens Saturday, June 28.



### IF YOU GO

- **What:** Canals and Railroads: From Collaboration to Competition
- **When:** Saturday, June 28, through November
- **Where:** Schenectady County Historical Society Museum, 32 Washington Ave., Schenectady
- **How much:** \$5 per person
- **Info:** [schenectadyhistorical.org](http://schenectadyhistorical.org) or 887-5073

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# All that jazz

## Saratoga Jazz Festival has star-studded lineup

The 2014 Freihofer's Saratoga Jazz Festival will take place June 28 and 29. In its 37th year, the festival will feature a lineup of more than 20 top artists and ensembles on two stages.

Festival headliners include:

- **Earth, Wind & Fire.** America's seventh top-selling musical group of all-time and the winners of eight Grammy Awards, Earth, Wind & Fire headlines this year's festival and marks their festival debut. One of the most popular funk and R&B bands of all-time — selling over 90 million albums in their 44-year career, with countless hits and awards — Earth, Wind & Fire will perform a full-concert length set, including their complete light show. They'll appear in support of a new album, "Now, Then & Forever."
- **Trombone Shorty.** Called the "Jimi Hendrix of the Trombone," Troy "Trombone Shorty" Andrews brings his "Supafunkrock" sound — a combination of New Orleans funk, rock, R&B and hip hop for his encore appearance at the festival. One of the hottest young musicians in America today, he has appeared on recent recordings by artists ranging from Zac Brown to Eric Clapton and been featured regularly on TV including "The

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# Arts and Entertainment

## THEATER

### Fiddler on the Roof

Classic Broadway musical set in a Jewish village in Russia during the early 1900s. June 25-29. Mac-Haydn Theatre, Chatham. Shows: 2 p.m. Wednesdays, 2 and 8 p.m. Thursdays, 8 p.m. Fridays, 4 and 8 p.m. Saturdays and 2 and 7 p.m. Sundays. Tickets: \$29 and \$30 evening performances, \$28 matinees, \$12 children under 12 with an adult. Tickets and information: 392-9292 or [www.machaydntheatre.org](http://www.machaydntheatre.org).

### Fully Committed

Becky Mode’s one-man play about an aspiring actor working at a hotel. Starring Sam Lloyd, who played Ted in TV’s “Scrubs.” June 23-28. Adirondack Theatre Festival, Charles R. Wood Theater, 207 Glen St., Glens Falls. Shows: 7:30 p.m. with a special 2 p.m. matinee on June 25. Tickets and information: 874-0800 or [www.ATVFestival.org](http://www.ATVFestival.org).

### Beyond the Horizon

Eugene O’Neill’s first full-length play to be produced has rare stage revival, courtesy of Fresh Coat Theatre. June 27-29. Steamer No. 10 Theatre, 500 Western Ave., Albany. Shows: 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Donations welcome. Information: 438-5503 or [www.steamer10theatre.org](http://www.steamer10theatre.org).

### Wilbur, The Not-So-Big, Not-So-Bad Wolf

Children’s musical about a wolf trying to find a place where he belongs. June 27 and 28, and July 4 and 5. Mac-Haydn Theatre, Chatham. Shows: 10:30 a.m. Tickets: \$10. Tickets and information: 392-9292 or [www.machaydntheatre.org](http://www.machaydntheatre.org).

## MUSIC

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Grammy-nominated R&B singer-songwriter plays Alive at Five concert

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series with opening act Mirk. 5 p.m. June 26, Riverfront Park Amphitheater, Corning Preserve, Albany. Free. Information: 434-2032.

### Bluz House Rockers

Classic rock and roll. June 26, 6:30 p.m., The Crossings, Albany Shaker Road, Colonie. Free. Information: 456-2136.

### Ester Rada

Eclectic musician who pulls from her Ethiopian-Israeli roots. 8 p.m. June 26, WAMC Linda Norris Auditorium, 339 Central Ave., Albany. Tickets: \$15. Information: 465-5233, ext. 4.

### Forever Young

Alt-country/folk band. 7 p.m., June 27, Emack and Bolio’s, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100.

### Terri Roben and MaryAnn Kosek

Roben is a Capital District folk singer-songwriter, while Kosek combines old American jazz with 1960s Latin jazz and some R&B. 7 p.m., June 28, Emack and Bolio’s, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100.

### Midnight Society

Indie pop duo. 7 p.m., June 29, Emack and Bolio’s, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100.

## DANCE

### Single Squares of Albany

Modern western square dancing. Caller is Todd Fellegly, and cuer is Maureen Wall. July 2, 7:30 to 10 p.m., Colonie Elks Club, Watervliet-Shaker Road, Latham. Admission: \$6. Information: 753-4692.

## LITERARY

### Apple Tree Readings

The Academy for Lifelong Learning is pleased to present readings from its latest edition of its literary collection including prose, poetry, art and photography featuring the works of Janice Cutbush, Bob DeSieno, Cindy Grob, Pat Leonard, Joyce Rubin and Joyce Zimmerman. 7 p.m., June 26, Northshire Bookstore, 424 Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: 587-2100, ext. 2415.

### The Open Door Bookstore and Gift Gallery

Hosting book signings for authors Rick Kelly and John Gabriel for their book “Capital Region Radio 1920-2011” and Bob Cudmore for his books “Hidden History of the Mohawk Valley” and “Stories of the Mohawk Valley” June 28 from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Also hosting a book signing for James Ziskin for his book “No Stone Unturned” June 29 from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. 128 Jay St., Schenectady. Information: 346-2719.

## COMEDY

### Comedy Works

Rodney Laney headlines. June 27 and 28 at 7:30 and 9:30 p.m. 500 Northern Blvd., Albany. Advance tickets \$15, day of show \$20, dinner packages \$50 in advance, \$55 day of show. Information, 275-6897. [www.thecomedyworks.com](http://www.thecomedyworks.com).

### Walking the Dog Theater

Long-form improv group. June 26-28, 8 p.m. Performance Spaces for the 21st Century, 2980 Route 66, Chatham. Tickets: Thursday show — adults \$15, PS21 members \$12, students 18 and under \$8; Friday



Richard Koons, left, and Monica Wernitt star as Tevye and Golde in Mac-Haydn Theatre’s production of “Fiddler on the Roof.” The play continues through Sunday, June 29.

## EXHIBITS

### Brookside Museum

“Local Beauty,” featuring the work of Saratoga County landscape artist Takeyce Walter. May 20 through June 27. 6 Charlton St., Ballston Spa. Information: 885-4000.

### Albany Public Library

“Homespun,” an exhibition of art in a variety of mediums from artists exploring notions of “home.” Through Sept. 27. Pine Hills Branch, 517 Western Ave., Albany. Hours: noon to 8 p.m. Monday and Wednesday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Tuesday, noon to 6 p.m. Thursday and Friday, 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday.

### Albany Institute of History and Art

“Summer Exposure: Photographic Works by Martin Benjamin, Carolyn Marks Blackwood, Tom Fels, Dana Hoey and William Jaeger.” June 28 through Sept. 7. 125 Washington Ave., Albany. Information: 463-4478 or [www.albanyinstitute.org](http://www.albanyinstitute.org).

### miSci

“Making Sense of Sound,” a hands-on exhibit from San Francisco’s Exploratorium. Through June 2015. “Grossology,” a look at the way the human body works. Through Sept. 1. Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Information: 382-7890 or [www.miSci.org](http://www.miSci.org).

### Sorelle Gallery

Featuring the paintings and mixed media works of former Skidmore art professor David Miller. Through June 26. Stuyvesant Plaza, 1475 Western Ave., Albany. Information: 482-2000 or [sorellgallery.com](http://sorellgallery.com).

## CALL FOR ARTISTS

### First Night Saratoga

Seeks musicians of every genre to perform at annual New Year’s Eve event. Artists selected will receive a stipend from Saratoga Arts. For more information, call 584-4132.

### Home Made Theater

Offering summer classes for children ages 8 to 18. All classes are limited to 15 students, and registrations will be accepted in the order in which they are received. Payment is due at the time of registration. For more information, call 587-4427 or visit [homemadetheater.org](http://homemadetheater.org).

# Weekly Crossword

## Appellations

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- 6 Singer Lane
- 10 Romance novelist Victoria
- 14 Trojan War poem
- 15 Hit squarely
- 16 Corn oil product
- 17 DiMaggio, to fans
- 19 Zadora and Lindstrom
- 20 Suburban ending
- 21 White House dog
- 22 Fumes
- 24 Agree
- 25 DeVito series
- 26 Permeates
- 29 Periods of peace
- 33 Game participants
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- 41 Puzzle
- 42 Letter patterns
- 44 Bidding

- 45 Sets up
- 46 Herbie or Thomas
- 47 Blue grass instruments
- 50 Singer Albright
- 51 Ecol. watchdog
- 54 La Scala tune
- 55 Lady Godiva observer
- 58 College mil. group
- 59 Picnic playwright
- 60 Clown
- 61 Love letter letters
- 62 Untouchable Eliot
- 63 French states

## DOWN

- 1 Pacific islands
- 2 Thanks \_\_\_\_!
- 3 Stir up
- 4 Lynx
- 5 Enlightens
- 6 Slant
- 7 \_\_\_\_ California
- 8 Life story
- 9 Lifts
- 10 Southern bean dish
- 11 Medley
- 12 Producer Norman
- 13 Pitch
- 18 Arrests

- 23 Cut drastically
- 24 Child’s toy
- 25 Send electronically
- 26 \_\_\_\_ a Very Good Year
- 27 Intended
- 28 Tend a turkey
- 29 Judith Anderson, et al.
- 30 Kid
- 31 Polar pixies
- 32 Initiate
- 34 Actress Donna
- 37 Rapidly increasing confusion
- 41 Reparation for wrongdoing
- 43 Corp. head
- 44 Island east of 38 Across
- 46 Sulks
- 47 Excludes
- 48 Pretty Maids All in \_\_\_\_
- 49 Talbot or Naldi
- 50 Triangle sides
- 51 Cartoon Kett
- 52 Sullen look
- 53 Rock band gear
- 56 Compass direction
- 57 Easy, as a course



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# Jazz

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Tonight Show,” “Jimmy Kimmel Live,” “Late Night with Jimmy Fallon” and “Austin City Limits.”

- Patti Austin. A Grammy Award winner who crosses all musical genres, has made 17 solo albums, and has performed her award-nominated hit songs on the Grammys and the Oscars, acclaimed vocalist and songwriter Patti Austin will make her festival debut. Austin has had a star-studded career that began at the age of four, making her one of the most beloved artists in the world and a mainstay on the Billboard Jazz Albums charts. Her 2007 release, “Avant-Gershwin (Rendezvous),” was awarded a Grammy for Best Jazz Vocal Performance.
- Mike Stern and Bill Evans Band. In a career that spans three decades and a discography that includes more than a dozen eclectic and innovative recordings, five-time Grammy nominee Mike Stern had established

himself as one of the premier jazz and jazz-fusion guitarists and composers of his generation.

- Jon Batiste and Stay Human. At 25, Jon Batiste is considered by many to be one of the most exciting and progressive new crossover talents on the scene today. A “Movado Future Legend” award recipient, and a “Steinway Performing Artist,” his modern take on the American songbook is attracting critical acclaim as well as audiences across all demographics. Together with his band Stay Human, Batiste’s appearance will be his first since 2008, the year he made his festival debut.
- Terence Blanchard. Renowned jazz trumpeter from New Orleans and five time Grammy Award winner, Blanchard has enjoyed a multifaceted career as a remarkable artist, soundtrack composer, arranger and band leader. Vanity Fair writes, “He plays the most coolly expressive trumpet in jazz, transmuting the instrument’s repertoire of smears, growls, peeps and blasts into an astonishingly

fluid language both luxurious and controlled.”

- Quinn Sullivan. Fourteen year old guitar prodigy and protégé of legendary bluesman Buddy Guy, Quinn Sullivan, will make his festival debut following his new album to be released by SuperStar Records on June 18. Praised by jazz legends such as John McLaughlin he has been described as “... unbelievable...and he plays just like Jimi (Hendrix)!” The young phenom has had much media coverage, appearing on television shows including CBS This Morning and The Tonight Show and in magazines including Esquire, Rolling Stone and the New York Times.
- Newport Jazz Festival: Now 60. A lineup of ferociously talented superstars led by clarinetist and saxophonist Anat Cohen, the ensemble features vocalist Karrin Allyson, hailed by the LA Times as “the jazz world’s finest” and often heard on NPR’s A Prairie Home Companion; five-time Grammy-winning trumpet wizard, Randy Brecker; guitarist Mark Whitfield; and pianist Peter Martin; with Clarence Penn on drums and Larry Grenadier on bass as part of their multi-generational tour.
- Eddie Palmieri Salsa Orchestra. A nine-time Grammy Award

Winner and 2013 National Endowment for the Arts Jazz Master (the highest honor bestowed by the United States), pianist and bandleader Eddie Palmieri returns to the festival for the first time since 1990 (marking his second overall appearance) with his Salsa Orchestra.

- David Holland Prism. Celebrating 40 years as a leader in trademark fashion, bassist/composer Dave Holland will unveil his latest quartet, Prism, a visceral electric band featuring his longtime collaborator Kevin Eubanks, best known as the leader of The Tonight Show with Jay Leno band, along with keyboardist Craig Taborn and drummer Eric Harland.

Other celebrated artists include Dr. Lonnie Smith Octet, Ronnie Earl & The Broadcasters, Robin McKelle & The Flytones, Lew Tabackin Trio, Warren Wolf & Wolfpack, Jaimeo Brown with JD Allen & Chris Sholar, Mary Halvorson Trio with John Hebert & Ches Smith, and Sean Jones Quartet.

Music starts at noon both days at the Saratoga Performing Arts Center. Tickets start at \$60 (lawn/general admission); kids are free for lawn seating.

Tickets to the festival are on sale at [spac.org](http://spac.org), at the box office, and via phone at 584-9330

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# Canals

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“The first railroads in New York state were built not to compete with the canal, but to enhance and improve it by providing improved traffic and transit times,” said David Gould, historian and exhibit curator from the ALCO Technical and Historical Society. “The best example is the Mohawk and Hudson which provided a shortcut across the Pine Bush from Albany to Schenectady, avoiding the locks in the Erie Canal on the Mohawk.”

The Mohawk Hudson Railroad, the brainchild of George W. Featherstonehaugh, an Englishman who lived in Duanesburg, was completed in 1831, despite the fact that there was resistance to the railroad because it would compete with the Erie Canal.

Mary Zawacki, curator at the Schenectady County Historical Society Museum, said the railroads were initially meant to be a lateral system connecting the canals, but that quickly changed when passengers realized they could ride the railroad on a direct 16-mile journey from Albany to Schenectady, saving 10 miles.

“It went from a collaborative system of transportation to competition between the two,” she said.

The New York legislature then restricted the railroad to carry freight. By 1850, there were 29 railroads in New York. Slowly the canals began to disappear and the railroads started

laying track in the old canal beds.

The traveling exhibit explores the beginnings of the canal era and New York state’s railroads and will feature artifacts, maps, photographs and other archival material.

“Canals and Railroads: From Collaboration to Competition.” is the result of an Erie Canalway Grant awarded in 2013 to ALCO for the education of the Erie Canalway National Heritage Corridor. Nine organizations throughout the state were awarded \$45,800 in grants to assist with telling the story of New York’s legendary canals.


“The grant is to reach out to the widest possible audience and educate people on the subject,” Zawacki said.

Gould said the exhibit’s stop at the historical museum allows it to be enhanced and enlarged by including museum artifacts, such as clothing and photos.

“The nice thing is it lends itself to the capabilities of the local historical society on display, enlarges the exhibit and provides a hands-on teaching opportunity for schoolchildren,” he said.


The exhibit will stay at the museum for six months and then move to other canal-related historical groups throughout the state.

Gould will also do a presentation about the exhibit at an opening reception on Saturday, June 28, at 2 p.m. at the Schenectady County Historical Society located at 32 Washington Ave. in Schenectady. Admission is \$5 and free for society members.



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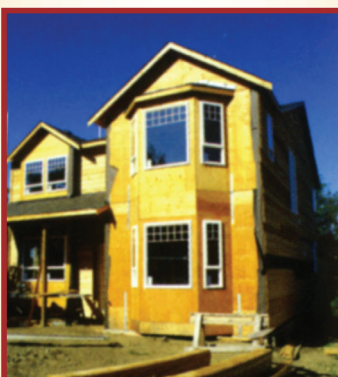


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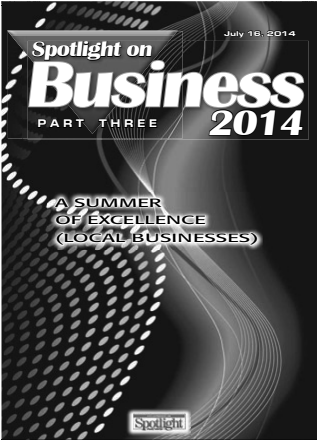
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